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Highway program cuts back

by Lindsey Corey
News Editor

Estimation errors are forcing the Missouri Department of Transportation to retract its promise made to voters six years ago of a 15-year highway development program.

MoDOT announced Tuesday that its 1992 projected estimates at \$14 billion were \$3.8 billion less than what is needed to finish the hundreds of projects in the original plan.

"There is no need for fingerpointing," Chief Engineer Joe Mickes said. "We know the responsibility rests with the Missouri Department of Transportation."

Currently, only 21 percent of the projects will be completed or contracted by the end of 1999, said Margaret Justus, public affairs manager. Justus said it is inconceivable for the department to complete all the road and bridge projects it had planned.

Despite the problems other areas of the state will have to endure with uncompleted projects, North U.S. Highway 71 will be completed on schedule, Justus said. Funds for the project that began in early March have already been allocated and since construction crews are already well into their contracts, Justus said it is not at risk of being cut. The project will make the route from Maryville to St. Joseph four lanes wide and should be completed by 2002.

"The plan erroneously assumed there would be no inflation in 15 years, and project growth (unexpected costs that develop during construction) would remain at zero," Justus said. "We now realize it's problematic to plan more than five years in advance, because you just don't know what the economy will do."

After the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission consulted with a Kansas City, Mo., independent accounting and auditing firm, an alternative five-year plan was developed to tackle \$4 billion more in projects on the waiting list.

"The five-year plan is not a solution to Missouri's transportation problems. It is only a plan to live within our means," MHTC chairman S. Lee Kling said. "The commission has made the only rational choice available, which is to move beyond the 15-year plan and get on with a plan that the state can afford."

However, the 1992 promise that every community with a population of 5,000 and above would have a near-by four-lane highway, has been shelved. Voters agreed to pay a tax of up to 6 cents per gallon of gasoline to help fund the various projects. But when MoDOT began to speculate problems in 1994, it realized the intended revenue from gas taxes was not going to last until 2010, but 2008, a \$1.4 billion miscalculation.

Covenant condensed, presented

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

A revised Covenant for Learning draft was proposed in a condensed version Wednesday in the Student Success Task Force meeting.

The covenant, presented earlier this semester to guide incoming Northwest students, was revised by the Northwest Covenant Committee to become more audience-friendly, committee co-chairwoman Pat Lucido said.

After receiving feedback from various groups and individuals on campus, the committee decided to shorten the length of the covenant, Lucido said.

"Student comments and faculty comments said it's too long, it's too much of a checklist and it's too prescriptive," Lucido said. "And then, this way students sit down and write their own themes."

Another change is incoming students will not have to sign the covenant. Instead, they will write their own definition of what they are responsible for as Northwest students.

"As we talked about it in a covenant sub-committee, the issue was not so much of signature, but how do we get students understanding and committing the basic ideas of covenant to really engage in undergraduate experience making their very best could be," Provost Tim Gilmour said. "I feel like the essay is much more effective than signature."

Lucido said the covenants will differ and can change as students stay at Northwest.

"It's part of their portfolio of showing their commitment to the education," Lucido said.

She said the covenant gives students a chance to reflect their commitment to attending the University.

"It's a partnership between the University and a student," Lucido said.

The focus of the covenant remains the same: classroom, studying and class preparation, student development experience, support for learning and physical environment.

The covenant committee will post the new drafts on campus and ask for feedback.

If the new draft is approved by groups such as Student Senate, Faculty Senate and the president's cabinet, the covenant will apply to fall 1999 incoming freshmen as planned.

Still, several questions remain, Gilmour said. One is how to apply the covenant to transfer and distance-learning students and if they should be separated from freshmen.

The Covenant was first initiated by the Student Creed Committee composed of 14 students last semester. February's Quality Classroom Day gathered opinions from various groups on campus.

Lonely Planet



Jimmy Hill, (left), who will play Jody, talks with Carl, Kevin Sontheimer, in a rehearsal of "Lonely Planet" Wednesday evening. The play focuses on the friendship of Carl and Jody

as they try to cope with an unnamed disease and the death of friends and loved ones with the same affliction. The play begins Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Play provokes awareness

by Kimberly Mansfield
Missourian Reporter

Friendship is an important part of life, but dealing with diverse relationships of the 1990s can often be difficult, especially when the friendship is misunderstood.

"Lonely Planet" is a lab series production directed by Karen Murano, senior theater/speech secondary education major. The University Players will sponsor the event.

The play, written by Steven Dietz, explores friendship in the age of AIDS. It contains sensitive subject matter, including homosexuality and AIDS. However, the words homosexuality and AIDS do not appear in the script.

"I chose to direct this because it's a great script and Steven Dietz addresses many important social issues without directly mentioning them," Murano said.

Murano hopes the play will capture the attention of the audience and force them to evaluate their views.

"It's a play that I hope, when people walk away from it, they will think about the different stereotypes," Murano said.

Jody, played by Jimmy Hill, undecided major, and Carl, played by Kevin Sontheimer, theatre major, are the main characters.

Sontheimer said being in a lab series gives him an opportunity to learn from his peers, and being in the play was a wonderful experience.

"I think the play has an important message, and I wanted to be a part of that," Sontheimer said.

Hill was inspired to audition based on previous productions of the play and seeing how moved the audience was.

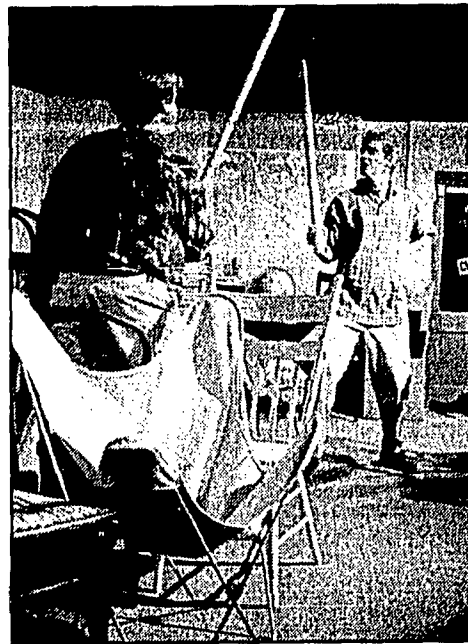
"It says so much without saying anything at all," Hill said.

While the play only has two characters, they have to deal with the death of their friends. Their death is symbolized by the use of chairs on the set.

"All the donated chairs make a point of it," Hill said. "It brings (about) the reality of it all."

The play calls for many chairs to represent the lives of those who have died of AIDS. The University Players have invited anyone who knows someone who died of AIDS to donate a chair to be used in the play. Each loan will be recognized at the performances. For information about donating a chair, contact Jim Glaub at 562-5181.

"Lonely Planet" will be presented Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Studio Theater. Tickets cost \$1 at the door and seating is limited to 50.



Jennifer Meyer/Photography Director

"Carl" and "Jody" battle out some of their frustrations in a sword fight during "Lonely Planet." As the show progresses, the stage becomes more cluttered with chairs that stand to symbolize the friends they have lost.

Duo discuss HIV, AIDS

"Friendship in the age of AIDS," an Inter-Fraternity Council and Panhellenic Council sponsored program, will feature two speakers Wednesday evening at the Charles Johnson Theater.

T.J. Sullivan and Joel Goldberg will be speaking on AIDS, HIV and safe sex.

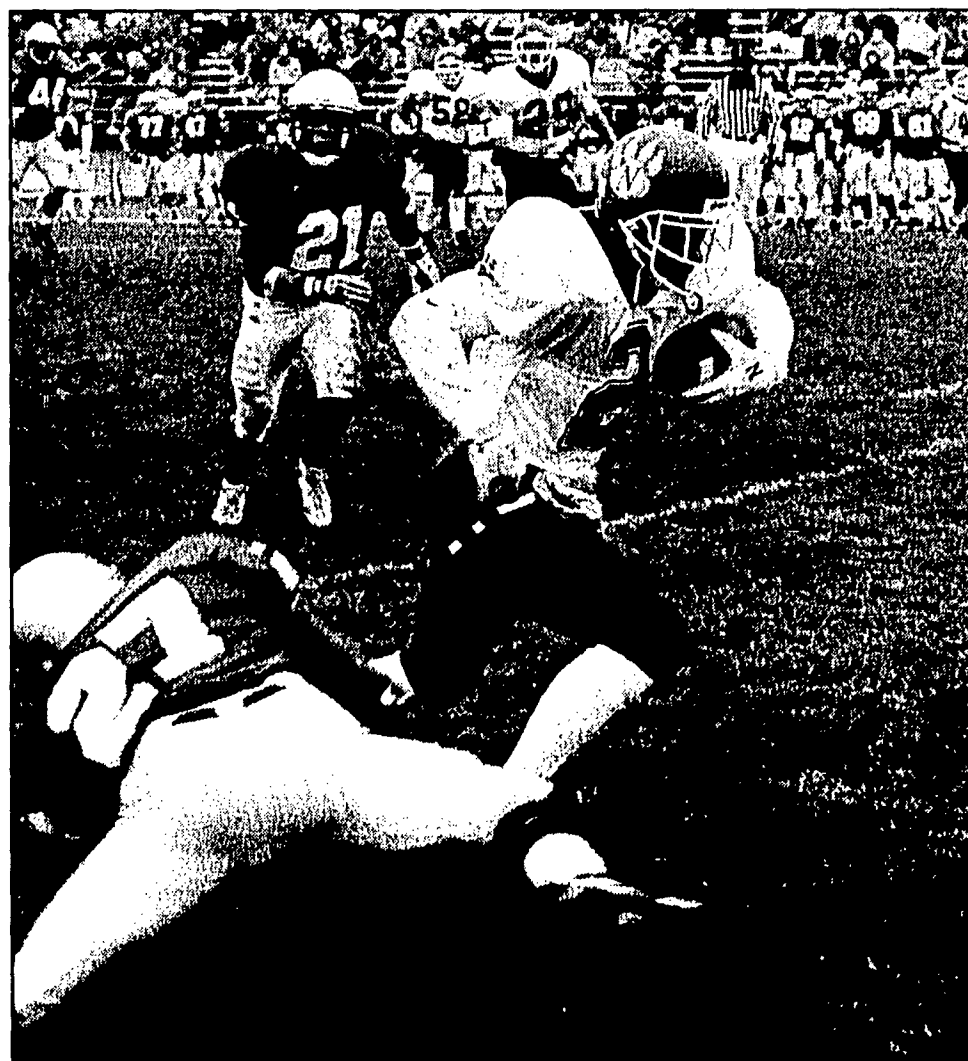
The event, which is free to students, will begin at 7 p.m. The duo spoke last year, and it was a big hit, said Sarah Lovely, corporate and therapeutic recreation major and vice-president of programming for Panhellenic.

"I brought them back because it's a good program," Lovely said. "It makes you think. They have a lot of stories to tell."

Goldberg, who has AIDS, went to college with Sullivan and the two teamed up to heighten people's awareness.

"It's an issue everywhere, especially at college," Lovely said. "It hopefully makes people think and be more protective."

Athletics prepares for competitive weekend



John Petrovic/Missourian Photographer

Junior wide receiver Seneca Holmes, No. 2, races for a touchdown against Truman State last Saturday. The 'Cats won the game 34-7, thus clinching a tie for the MIAA conference championship and the Hickory Stick for the third year in a row. The Bearcats face off against Emporia State this Saturday and will try to clinch the title outright.

Football team tries for conference championship, basketball season begins

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

One of the most hectic weekends of the year is fast approaching for Northwest athletics.

The No. 2 ranked Bearcat football team will conclude its regular season against the No. 10 ranked Emporia State Hornets. In addition, the Bearcat spikers will conclude their season and the men's and women's basketball teams will get their seasons underway.

The highlight of the weekend will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium when the Bearcats' and Hornets' high-powered offenses clash.

Northwest features one of the nation's top passers, senior quarterback Chris Greisen, while the Hornets will bring in college football's all-time leading rusher, senior running back Brian Shay.

Northwest head football coach Mel Tjeerdsma said he and his players are looking forward to the challenge of playing against Shay.

"He is a good player and he has had a great career," Tjeerdsma said. "It has been good for the conference, bringing a lot of publicity and notoriety to the league. Brian deserves everything he gets, and we have nothing but respect for him. Playing him is a challenge every year."

The contest will have conference championship and Division II playoff implications as well. The 10-0 Bearcats have already clinched a playoff spot and a share of the MIAA championship. The 9-1 Hornets are still trying to secure a playoff spot, and if they are able to win on Saturday, they will finish with Northwest in a tie for the MIAA title.

The 'Cats claimed a piece of the title Saturday with a win over Truman State, but the team would like to claim it as its own, Tjeerdsma said.

"It means a lot for us," Tjeerdsma said. "It's great for our players. We talked about a three-peat this fall and some people thought we were going out on a limb and taking a chance by talking like that. But it was something our players felt they could accomplish, and there was no doubt Saturday. It is great to get a piece of it, but that is not what we really want. That is what makes this game really important. We don't want any doubts as to who the conference champion is."

Sunday will be a day of anticipation for the football team. The 'Cats will find out who their first-round playoff opponent will be and where the game will be played at the NCAA Division II Playoff Selection Show. It will be shown live via satellite at the Conference Center. The public is invited to join the team for the announcement; the doors of the Conference Center open at 1 p.m.

In addition to football, the volleyball team will close out its regular season this weekend.

The spikers will face Missouri Southern at 7 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena. The volleyball team will meet Pittsburg State at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bearcat Arena.

The Bearcats' basketball season will get in full swing this weekend. The women's basketball team will play immediately following the volleyball game.

The women will play their final exhibition game when they face off with the Nebraska All-Stars, led by former Bearcat great Lisa Kenkel-Carlson.

There is basketball action this weekend as well. Bearcat fans can catch the men's basketball season opener at 7:30 p.m. Saturday when the hoopers face off with Benedictine College as they begin to defend of their MIAA Championship.

Our View

Bearcats, 'Hounds deserve applause

A few years ago, the Spoofhound and Bearcat football teams were worrying about winning one game, let alone going a whole season undefeated.

Fortunately, times have changed.

Although the Spoofhounds ended their season on a sad note Friday night losing to Chillicothe 28-14, they have nothing to hang their heads about.

The 'Hounds thrilled their fans every Friday night for nine weeks, racking up win after win and stopping opponents in their tracks.

And, in the end, the team still managed to thrill its audience by finally meeting up with a formidable foe and fighting the Hornets until the bitter end.

Spoofhounds, congratulations on a wonderful season; we're looking forward to next year.

While the 'Hounds were giving the community something to cheer about on Friday nights, the Bearcats have been the pride of Maryville Saturday afternoons.

A program that was once winless, has achieved back to back to back playoff births under the direction of Mel Tjeerdsma and his gang and is in the process of a making it a three-peat.

The 'Cats deserve all the support they can get, as they take on Emporia State in the last

game of their regular season.

Take the time to go out and root for the 'Cats Saturday afternoon. If the matchup of the two teams isn't enough to get you out there, there will be an even bigger matchup to look for on the field.

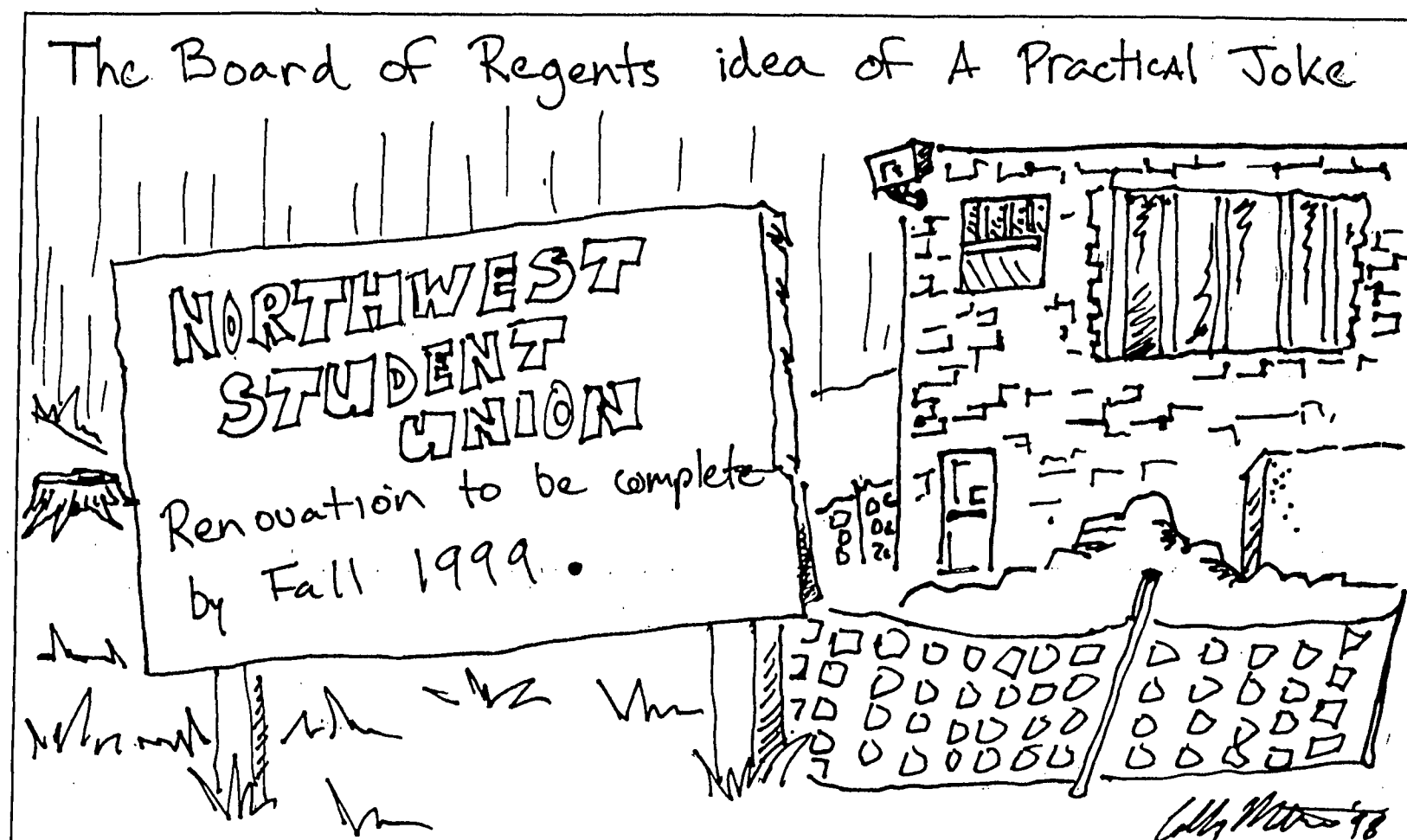
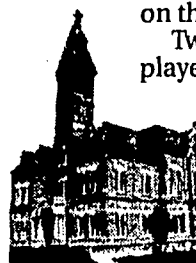
Two of the most acclaimed players in Division II football will play Saturday.

Northwest quarterback Chris Griesen and Emporia State running back Brian Shay, are both candidates for the Harlon Hill Trophy, Division II's equivalent

to the Heisman Trophy. Harlon candidates are nominated by the sports information directors at all of the 152 schools in Division II. The players are nominated if they have distinguished themselves as being among the best players in the NCAA Division II during the current season.

So, if just coming out to watch the Bearcat's, which, don't forget, are No. 2 in the nation, isn't enough to motivate you, then come out and watch two of the most talented players in Division II football battle. With a lot of fan support, the 'Cats might make it to Florence and earn a national championship this year.

The 'Hounds and 'Cats have a lot to be proud of this season. It's not about winning a title that really counts, and we all know that. It's about becoming a community and experiencing the thrills and chills the two teams have given us all year.



Viewpoint

Give thanks all year long, be grateful for loved ones



Jealaine Vaccaro

Holidays not only time to compliment, thank special people

I know it sounds crazy, but I love this time of year. It's not the weather that I love or cramming for finals, but it's the holidays I live for.

I love the time of year when the campus turns into a colorful wonderland and the squirrels hurry to prepare for winter. But, I also love Thanksgiving and Christmas, not necessarily the breaks that we receive, but the meanings of those holidays, especially Thanksgiving. But it does not have to be November, nor do you have to be eating turkey, to give thanks.

Sometimes we get so swept up in the idea of a holiday break that we may forget the meaning of a holiday such as Thanksgiving.

We may be working, traveling across the country or just writing that paper that is due the day we get back. Whatever it may be, we may tend to overlook the fact that a special day has been set aside for Americans everywhere to pause and give thanks. My advice to all of you: it is never too early or too late to give thanks. Heck, you can start today.

Thank your roommate for putting up with you or helping you pay bills.

Thank your friends just for being there.

For many of us, we have outside help (financially) with our education, so thank those that help you.

Thank your teachers, advisers, supplemental instructors and other support staff for making sure you succeed. It is never too early or too late to give thanks.

What is great about giving thanks is that no matter what time of year you give it, it is always a welcomed compliment. It is great to see the look on

someone's face when you give thanks to them. It is probably one of the best gifts you could give to anyone else.

Now, I am not trying to be grim, but thank those that you love, for whatever reason, because life goes too fast and tomorrow you may not get that chance.

Smile and give thanks, no matter what time of year it is, eventually giving thanks is going to spread and become a contagious virus that everyone will catch.

So as long as I am in the mood for giving thanks, I might as well get this new trend started.

Thanks to coach Tjeerdsma and our mighty fighting Bearcats for a great season; you guys rock and give the word "spirit" a new meaning.

Thanks to the teachers, advisers and support staff that I deal with on a daily basis. You make my education a lot more pleasing.

Thanks to all of my friends in Senate and Residence Hall Association, it's because of people like you that differences happen on campus.

Thanks to all my friends for being patient, forgiving and loving.

Of course I want to thank my higher power (God) because without him nothing is possible.

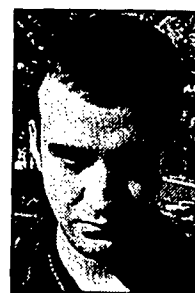
But above all, I want to thank my family, mom, dad, Jayna and Jonathan. It's because of my family that I achieve and dare to dream.

Thanks to all of you for reading this article. Now go out and start giving thanks. This is one trend that actually might catch on!

Jealaine Vaccaro is the president of the Residence Hall Association

It's Your Turn

What is your opinion of the NBA strike?



"Everything about it, on both sides, reeks of over-paid baby boys."

Steve Adams, broadcasting major



"There is an NBA strike?"

Kaleb Juhl, Journalism major



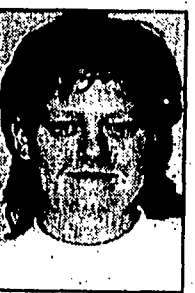
"Let 'em strike."

Jessica Courtney, therapeutic recreation major



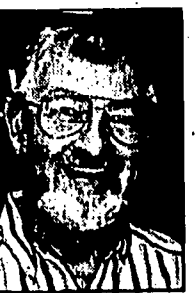
"I hope they continue the strike and I hope they all lose their jobs because they don't deserve to play anyways."

Adam Stakey, agriculture science major



"It will ruin the league, just like what happened in baseball."

Brooke Blackford, parks and recreation major

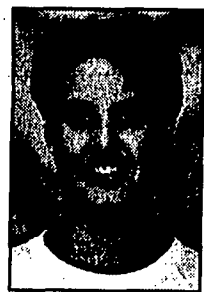


"Unfortunately it's not about how much an individual can make, it's about how much the other individual can make. It's not thousands of dollars, it's millions. Gimme a break."

Al Furner, Sport Shop owner

My Turn

Unfair association rules cheat football squads



Jennifer Meyer

Maryville 8-1, Chillicothe 7-2, Lafayette 4-5.

The Missouri State High School Athletic Association said Chillicothe and Lafayette advanced to the state playoffs because they won all three of their

district games, regardless of their pre-district records. I say that's bull sh**.

I do not say that because they lost. I say that because any team with a perfect record deserves a shot at the state title. Any other team would be just as upset if they were 8-0 going into their last district game and eliminated because of the one loss.

As the rules stand, a team that is 0-6 going into district play can win the three district games and still advance to the play-offs. A team with a perfect record can be defeated in one district game and be eliminated. They get cheated.

I could continue describing how I feel about the 'Hounds being cheated, but I won't. I will point out the worst part of this situation: it has happened two years in a row.

I was on the field as the final seconds of the 'Hounds' 1997 season ticked away at Platte County. I saw the pain and tears of frustration and anger from the players because of

the unfairness. I was not there, for the last moments of another perfect season. I think that hurt me more than anything.

I was at my parents' house for the weekend, and a few hours before the game was over, I had told my mother I would not be home for Thanksgiving because I was going to St. Louis, Mo. for the state play-offs.

When my roommate called to tell me they lost, I cried. All I could ask was how and why.

There are 55 guys that are going to feel the sting of being cheated every time they think about football. There are 14 guys that will not be able to come back and fight to dissolve that sting next fall.

Nick, Adam O., Norman, Adam J., Jason, Dallas, Mike, John, Dan, Chad, Josh, Russ, D.J. and Chris won't suit up in green, gold and white again. They won't play on their home field again. They won't play for head coach Chuck Lliteras again. They won't have another chance to play for the 3A title again.

Any parents, players or Spoofhound supporters wishing to express their feelings about the 1998 season or the playoff setup can send them to:

Missouri State High School Athletic Association, 1808 Interstate 70 Dr. S.W. P.O. Box 1328, Columbia, Mo. 65205-1328.

Visit the *Missourian Daily* at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/> to voice your opinion on the Spoofhound game.

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Letters to the Editor

Alumnus excited

Dear Editor,

I am having a blast visiting your *Missourian Online* web site each week to "feel the pulse" of my alma mater. I do feel strongly compelled to pass along my comments concerning the ongoing achievement of reinventing facilities on the University campus.

I have to say I was literally stunned when I took my first step into the newly renovated Colden Hall during Homecoming weekend.

Having spent most of my academic career in Colden from 1974-1978, this is not the Colden I remembered! I have never seen such a complete and awesome interior transformation of a building. The use of color, geometric forms and focal points provided a dazzling display of rich character, function and unique intimate spaces. The building is an absolutely stunning jewel of a space within a characterless shell.

I ran into University President Dean Hubbard late that afternoon and told him Colden now parallels some of the finest corporate environments you would find in the urban/suburban landscape.

At Hubbard's suggestion, we hung around campus on Homecoming Saturday until after dusk to view the new illuminated International Plaza. After viewing this spectacular display of cultural diversity from every angle (including the reflection off College Pond, which I agree with the president is one of the best) I was beaming with pride for my alma mater.

After setting such a lofty standard with Colden, I wait with child-like enthusiasm to see what magic is in store with the renovations of the Student Union, South Complex,

Garrett-Strong, and President Hubbard said the Fine Arts Building is next! If these transformations are even half as successful as Colden Hall's, they should be spectacular.

I think Colden's renovation and the International Plaza today will have the same dramatic impact the timeless Owens Library had back in the early 1980s, functioning as an important recruiting tool and a source of pride by all students, alumni and visitors.

I have never been more proud of my alma mater and the direction it is headed. I believe the student body, faculty, administrative leadership, International Plaza, Quality Award and, of course, Bearcat sports, collectively will launch Northwest into the next millennium with inspiring, state-of-the-art facilities and environments for higher education surpassing the demands of the 21st century student.

Michael D. O'Halloran
Kansas City, Mo.

View not accurate

Dear Editor,

Although the Cleaver family may not exist in the late 1990s, due process, nonpartisan reporting and thought provoking editorials are not unheard of.

Your editorial on Sept. 24, 1998, begins with a viable point of view, but digresses into creative journalism to support your premise.

On Oct. 15, 1996, when Hillary Clinton spoke on behalf of her husband regarding family values, the Monica Lewinsky encounters had yet to take place. It is not clear when Hillary learned of the affair and it is inaccurate to imply that her views were insincere.

The typical definition of

families may have changed, but family values are not necessarily passé or typical of one particular political party. Your readers would be better served by a thoughtful discussion of the issues involved in the breakdown of the family, rather than a poorly constructed argument suggesting the Clintons are solely responsible for the destruction of honesty, honor, fidelity and justice in today's society.

Paula Hixson-McSweeney
Pickering

Swing returned

To whomever it was that returned my porch swing — thank you! I knew you'd do the right thing. I know a certain 3-year-old who is very happy right now. You should've seen his face light up when he saw it.

I also wanted to take this chance to thank the folks on the grounds crew who helped recover it for me. I owe you a debt of gratitude as well.

Thomas M. Spencer
assistant professor of history, humanities and philosophy

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Library drive meets goal

by Kimberly Mason
Missourian Reporter

The campaign to raise funds for an addition to the Maryville Public Library has been successful according to its Board of Trustees.

The 5,000 square foot addition will be named the Lela Hackney Bell and Charles Robinson Bell Wing, in honor of significant financial contributions from the late Bells' estate.

Carol Zahnd, library trustee co-chairwoman, said the money raised by the library's 2000 campaign will provide space for a larger children's area, customer-friendly stacks, privacy for study and leisure reading, improved restrooms, more reference materials and room for computers.

Campaign funds, in cash, pledges and interest on money previously invested, total \$447,570, according to Ray Schieber, library trustee treasurer.

When the fund-raising campaign began in April, the board's goal was \$400,000.

The Bells both worked as members of the library's board of trustees, Charles from 1948-1958 and Lela from 1958-1967. Each also served as president of the board during their tenures.



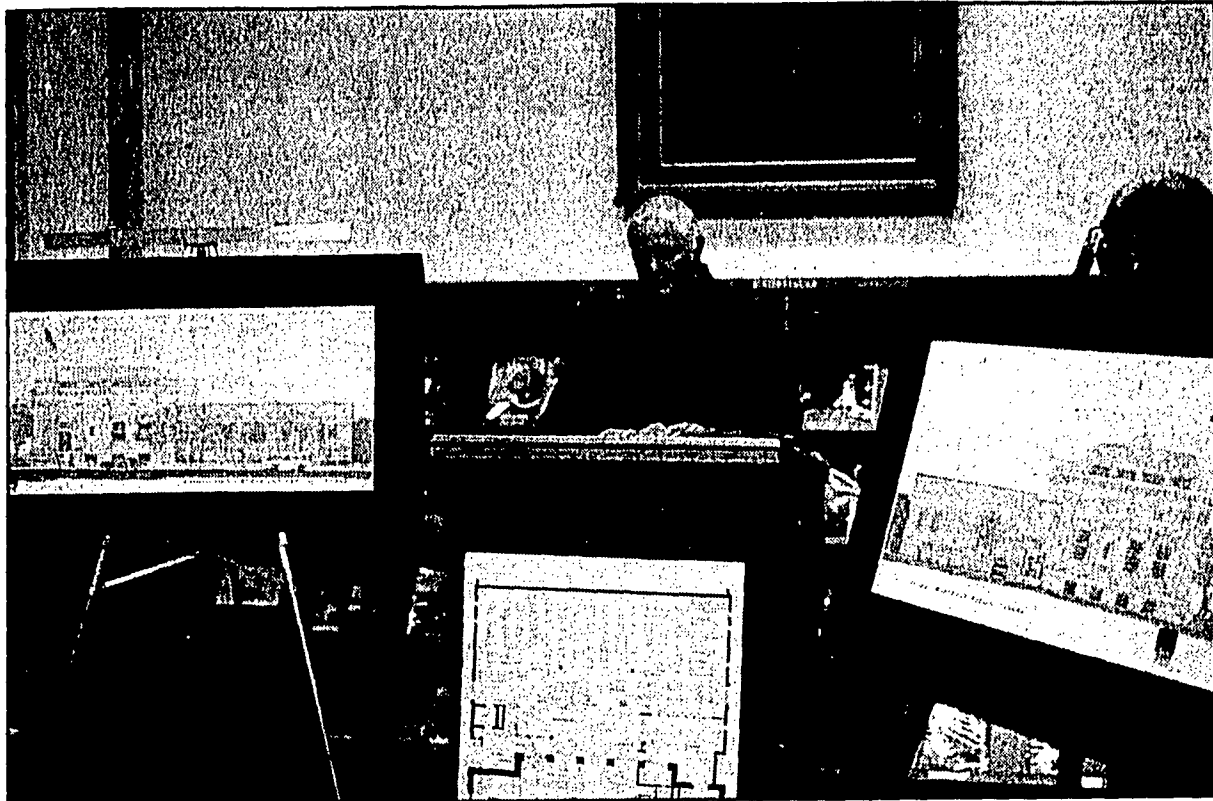
■ Charles Robinson Bell and Lela Hackney Bell

The Bells' daughters, Rebecca Bell and Madelyn Bell-Ewing, also donated to the library's 2000 project.

"We're delighted to have the new wing named after our parents," Rebecca said.

Rebecca said she remembers how important the library was to both her and her sister growing up in Maryville.

"In those days, reading was one of the only ways to have any knowledge of the outside world," she said.



After announcing the new name of the library wing, Rebecca Bell, of New York, daughter of the late Lela Hackney Bell and Charles Robinson Bell, expressed her family's appreciation to the city of Maryville. The Library 2000 campaign announced that the \$400,000 goal was met by 345 pledges, gifts, contributors and grants.

Rebecca said the library is keeping pace with technology and the new addition will "encourage use by the whole community."

Library director Diane Houston also said the addition will take the library into the 21st century.

"All of us who have used the library or have been associated with

it in some way will reap the benefits," Houston said.

Mayor Bridget Brown commented on the improvement to the "quality of life" the library's addition will make.

"This is a monument to both the past and the present, but certainly a monument to the future of this com-

munity," she said.

Construction bids for the addition were taken Tuesday and should be in by mid-December, Houston said.

If the weather permits, construction will begin before the end of this year and the addition should be complete by January 2000.

Alina Bostic/Missourian Photographer

Cable agrees on contract

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

Classic Cable and Maryville agreed on the conditions of the franchise extension last week after more than two years of disputes, City Manager David Angerer said during the City Council meeting Monday.

Classic President Steven Seach called Angerer and agreed to pay a \$250,000 construction bond, only if Classic does not fulfil its promise to build the new cable lines, Angerer said. The deadline to build new lines is approximately two years.

Seach agreed to pay a \$20,000 performance bond and \$200 a day fine if Classic does not operate in an appropriate manner, as outlined by the contract until it begins operating correctly, Angerer said.

However, the new contract to extend Classic's franchise in Maryville for 15 years has not been signed by both sides, Angerer said. Currently, Classic is writing the contract, and Maryville's attorney, hired for this dispute, will look at the contract. The contract will probably be signed in December by the City Council, Angerer said.

The deadline to begin an administrative hearing is Dec. 14 if Classic does not continue the negotiations, Angerer said.

"Chances are we will never have to do that if everybody continues to agree," Angerer said. "But if they don't, before you just kick somebody out of town, they have to have a right to due process."

By April 1999, Classic will have a complete engineering blueprint, Angerer said. Although it is a step in the right direction, Angerer said he is not fully satisfied because a "verbal agreement is not binding."

If the contract is signed, the new cable system will have more channels and a better quality picture and could be used for data transmission and Internet lines, Angerer said.

Mayor Bridget Brown said she is satisfied with the city's effort to receive the best kind of cable system, but she pointed out that the contract has not been signed.

"We're pleased with the extensive efforts that we've gone through to secure the right kind of services in the community," Brown said. "At least to the best of our ability by law, we're certainly taking advantage of every opportunity that we have."

Meanwhile, the Council passed another monthly based contract with Classic until Dec. 19.

The Council also passed a plan aimed at developing South Main Street to provide pedestrian mobility and solve traffic problems.

The Council also chose committee members for asphalt and concrete curb and gutter street improvements. Four residents, Jerry Dew, Kelly Freudensprung, Duane Hersh and Marlin Slagle, were selected as the members along with Councilman Mike Thompson, city staff and engineers.

This is a short-term committee to address specific issues, and it will assist the city staff in making recommendations to the Council, Brown said.

The Council also passed an ordinance to impose a one-eighth of 1 percent city sales tax to help parks and recreations. Voters passed the ordinance in the Nov. 3 election and will be effective in April 1999.

Hubbard honored with award

by Heather Butler
Features Editor

The Excellence in Missouri Foundation has recognized and rewarded Northwest once again for its dedication and commitment to quality.

University President Dean Hubbard was awarded the Governor's Quality Leadership Award by Gov. Mel Carnahan and 1997 recipient Sister Mary Jean Ryan Thursday in Jefferson City.

"The nominees for the 1998 Governor's Quality Leadership Award were highly competitive this year," Ryan said. "The selection process proved to be very difficult."

The Governor's Quality Leadership Award annually recognizes the individual who best exemplifies outstanding leadership and has done the most to further performance improvement in the state of Missouri, according to the Foundation. The recipient of the award must be dedicated to the principles of quality and committed to the core values of the Missouri Quality Award program.

"We must work to surpass what is ordinary and acceptable if we are to achieve what is extraordinary and remarkable," Carnahan said.

Hubbard has a history of promoting quality throughout his 14-year career at Northwest. He developed the Culture of Quality plan for Northwest in 1984.

"His program has been recognized nationally as one of the most comprehensive plans to reform undergraduate education," Ryan said. "This renowned Culture of Quality program has



Governor Mel Carnahan presents University President Dean Hubbard with the Governor's Quality Leadership Award. This award honors Hubbard individually for his leadership in promoting quality across Missouri.

brought about a focused state investment of \$3 million for his school."

Hubbard's effort to make Northwest a quality university did not stop there. In 1997 Hubbard helped reallocate \$3.3 million through restructuring instruction and administration. Hubbard also elevated the amount of Northwest's budget dedicated to instruction to 60 percent.

Although Hubbard has accomplished so much for the University, he was shocked when they announced his name.

"It isn't very often that a university president flounders for words,"

Hubbard said. "This really is a remarkable honor."

Hubbard shared his award and commitment to quality with the faculty, administration and students of Northwest.

"This is not a solo operation," Hubbard said. "Quality is a team effort and we would not have achieved what has been achieved at Northwest Missouri State University if I was the only one at that institution committed to quality. The students have taken hold of this idea and pushed it forward until what sometimes you see as inertia is normal to them."

Quality Award prized year later

by Angela Patton
Missourian Reporter

A change in attitude marks the one-year anniversary of Northwest's Missouri Quality Award.

"Receiving the award proved to all of us that we are a quality institution," said Angel McAdams, Student Senate president. "I think it sets us apart from other institutions and will challenge us to strive for bigger and better things."

Graduate Dean Frances Shipley said the award has been a "good morale booster for everyone employed by the University." But she also said Northwest must continue to "maintain the level of quality."

This "commitment to quality" has attracted a number of potential students to Northwest.

"While giving tours of the campus, many perspective students and their parents comment on how Northwest's dedication to quality and its receiving the Missouri Quality Award sparked their interest," Student Ambassador Mendy Wilson said. "It definitely serves as a drawing mechanism for University recruitment."

Provost Tim Gilmour said the award will be a contributing factor in increasing the quality of academics at Northwest, providing a better service to the area and increasing the application of information technology.

Gilmour also said the Missouri Quality Award will continue to provide "confidence for faculty and staff and a sense of pride in that we have a real role to play in education."

Organization promotes awareness

by Richard Hubble
Missourian Reporter

Student Affairs and the Chemical Abuse Resources and Education organization are teaming up to raise awareness about alcohol abuse on Friday.

Events include a mock car accident followed by a teleconference addressing alcohol abuse and violence.

CARE President Nitin Goil said the accident will be set up shortly before 11 a.m. near South Complex and will portray the possible effects of driving while intoxicated. He said CARE members, Campus Safety, the Fire Department and theater department actors will be involved.

"A lot of people are visual learners," Goil said. "When they see a thing, they really know 'this can happen to us'."

Goil said information will be provided after the mock crash and people will be encouraged to attend the teleconference from noon to 2 p.m. in the Conference Center.

The conference, with a national audience, will deal with many issues of alcohol abuse at colleges and universities, including underage drinking, binge drinking and the correlation between drinking and violence.

"Northwest, as a University, recognizes the value of a conference like this," said Carol Cowles, assistant vice president for Student Affairs.

This is the first teleconference on alcohol-related topics at Northwest. Cowles said it is a chance for students to ask questions and voice concerns to be heard throughout the country. Cowles said Northwest is one of almost 300 conference sites.

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Volunteers escort students

by Ted Place
Missourian Reporter

Two Northwest organizations are asking for help to prevent violence. Rape Is Going To Have To Stop and Campus Safety have teamed up to start a campus-wide nightly escort service for students.

"We want to make people aware of what can happen on this campus," RIGHTS co-adviser Tess Narcisco said. "Just because Maryville is not a big city doesn't mean bad things can't happen."

The program enlists volunteers to walk students from any campus des-

ination three hours a week.

Teams of students, one male and one female, will be available from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. every day. The volunteers will be equipped with two-way radio communication linked to Campus Safety. They will also wear armbands for easy identification.

Volunteers will be required to go through a background check. So far, 76 applications have been turned in.

"People should make a habit of using this service," Narcisco said. "It's free, it's easy, there's no reason not to."

Training for escort volunteers was

recently conducted to prepare students for any encounters they may have while escorting. Campus Safety officials spoke to the volunteers about safe routes, obligations and how to use radio equipment.

"Right now we do about 35 escorts a month," said Campus Safety director Clarence Green. "Hopefully, now that peers are involved we will do a lot more."

To volunteer, contact Narcisco at 562-5056, Campus Safety at 562-1254 or sign up in the counseling center in Wells Hall, room 120.

Escorts are scheduled to begin Monday and can be arranged

through Campus Safety or by inquiring with volunteers in the library.

Another safety precaution Northwest is taking is additional lighting on campus. Students' concerns have led to the addition of 71 lights to be installed within the next two years.

"The new lights should make students feel safer and they will definitely make our jobs easier," Green said. "People are far less likely to try anything when an area is well lit."

Fifteen lights were installed this summer in the vicinity of the Bell Tower leaving 56 more to be installed in the future.

Parking fees may increase

by Kyle Worthington
Assistant Copy Editor

Northwest students, faculty and staff may have to brace themselves against sticker shock next fall if a proposed increase in parking permit fees is approved by the Board of Regents early next year.

Parking permits currently cost \$55, but, under the proposal, will rise to \$70 for the 1999-2000 school year. Motorcycle permits will go from \$25 to \$40.

Under the proposal, parking tags for both vehicles will continue to climb \$15 each school year until capping off at a projected \$100 per permit beginning the fall trimester of 2001.

"We've got to work up to

this \$100 over the next three years so it's not such a huge increase for all of us," said Ray Courter, vice president for finance and support services. "Once we're at the \$100, and once we have enough revenue generated to pay off the debt, for right now, I don't foresee any need beyond that. But no one can predict, in four years or five years, what our perception of parking will be at that time."

Courter estimates \$6 million will be needed to pay off the 10-year, \$4 million loan needed to improve parking and relocate the dairy facilities to the University's north farm.

The money generated from the parking fee increases will go toward repaying the loan.

Students wish upon a STAR

■ Recruitment program sends information home

by Stephanie Clarkin
Missourian Reporter

A number of Northwest students have showed interest in becoming a STAR.

Student Trained Advocates for Recruitment enables students to go back to their former high schools and speak about their experiences at Northwest.

"The purpose of STAR is to get the word of Northwest out," said Evan Polly, admissions graduate assistant. "A lot of our students are optimistic and had a great time at Northwest, and we just want them to have the opportunity to share them with their alma mater."

Students involved in this organization came from Residential Life, peer advisory and 160 other campus organizations.

"We would like to see people from all different walks of life be involved with STAR," said Shari Schneider, associate director of admissions. "STAR is another way for students to get involvement in recruitment. We would also like to see the STAR program as a minor league team for Student Ambassadors."

Admissions will aid students who volunteer by giving them facts, figures and statistics about Northwest. The volunteers are encouraged to provide a personal side of their experience at Northwest to high school students.

"We have had a surprisingly huge response," Polly said.

Students have volunteered to speak at high-schools from Kansas City, Mo., and Omaha, Neb., as well as smaller hometowns. Volunteers will be given a free Northwest T-shirt.

For more information contact Polly in the Mabel Cook at 562-1562.

Multi-talented



Sarah Phipps/Online Photography Director

Laura Widmer, student publications adviser, won the Multimedia Adviser of the Year Award last weekend at the College Media Association/Associated Collegiate Press annual conference in Kansas City, Mo. Widmer was nominated by students because of her desire to be the first public university to produce a CD-Rom supplement to the yearbook. *Missourian Daily Online* won a Best of College Press Network Award of Excellence for 1998. *Tower's* 1998 "Chaos Unfolding" yearbook won the fourth place Best of Show Award and its 1997 "Stages" book was a Pacemaker Award recipient. Amy Roh was awarded first place for sports photography.

In Brief

Sorority celebrates

Northwest's Phi Phi chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha is celebrating its 70th anniversary with a luncheon for alumni and active members at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Conference Center.

The Phi Phi chapter was founded at Northwest in 1928 and the social sorority has recently grown to 102 active members.

Baby-sitting taught

The Northwest Missouri Chapter of American Red Cross will sponsor a baby-sitting clinic from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at United Electric Services.

Students age 11 to 15 will learn emergency techniques, infant and child cardio pulmonary resuscitation and first aid.

For more information or to pre-register call 582-8160.

Blood drive today

The Maryville Chapter of Business and Professional Women is sponsoring a blood drive from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. today in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church, 102 N. Main St.

For more information or to sign up, call Shirley Miller at 582-4031.

Usernames invalid

After Dec. 15, old Northwest usernames will be invalid as e-mail addresses because the University's new computer system requires at least one letter in usernames.

The system was changed over the summer, and students were given a grace period to notify others of their new address. E-mail sent to old addresses has been automatically transferred to new e-mail accounts. If someone sends e-mail to an old address after the transfer is terminated, the sender will get a message saying they e-mailed an incorrect address.

D.A.R.E. offers dance

The annual seventh and eighth-grade D.A.R.E. dance will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in St. Gregory's school gym, 315 S. Davis St.

Admission to the dance is \$1.

Members initiated

Pi Omega Pi initiated eight new members Oct. 19. Pi Omega Pi is the national business teacher education honor society.

The new members include Jubilee Schley, Joshua Smith, Christy Allen, Terri Auffert, Marilyn Hamm, Leslie Dickherber, Brett Dickerson

and Michael Still.

To be eligible for membership a student must have at least sophomore status or above and completed 15 hours in business and/or education, have a 3.0 GPA in those courses and be a business education major or minor.

Diving club to meet

The Northwest Missouri Chapter of American Red Cross will play host to a meeting for the Explorer Post Scuba Diving Crew at 5 p.m. today at the First United Methodist Church, room 205, 102 N. Main St.

The program is open to individuals age 14 to 21 interested in scuba diving as a career or hobby.

For more information call 582-8160.

Chamber hearing set

Former Driver's License Bureau employee Sandra Sue Sanders, 55, of Maryville, filed an age-discrimination, sexual harassment and retaliation suit against the Chamber of

Commerce in August 1996. The hearing to set a trial date is scheduled for Dec. 7 in Division I of the Circuit Court in Nodaway County.

Sanders worked for nearly five years before being fired in August 1995, according to the suit.

The bureau is one of the chamber's offices. Her suit seeks \$50,000 and reinstatement under the Missouri Human Rights Act and other state statutes.

Lasers lead to arrest

Maryville Public Safety recently arrested five Maryville male juveniles after reports of a laser being shone through windows.

A Maryville male reported a red dot shown on him while sitting in his house. He believed it was either a laser aim point from a weapon or from a laser pointer used in lectures. He gave Public Safety the license plate number of the car the light came from.

The cases were referred to the juvenile officer.

Laser pens sell for around \$18 at

Wal-Mart and are locked in a case in the jewelry section. According to Support Manager Ben Blackford, Wal-Mart is requiring every customer purchasing a pen to be at least 18 years old.

Governor seeks seat

Gov. Mel Carnahan, D-Mo., announced that he will run in the 2000 elections for the U.S. Senate seat held by John Ashcroft, R-Mo., last week.

Workers paint homes

St. Francis Hospital's Home Health and Hospice workers will paint the interior of three homes Saturday.

"Our goal is to give back to the community by assisting these needy homeowners by making their homes and communities a better place to live," said Debbie Herring, Home Health director.

St. Francis volunteers will paint and members of the community will provide painting supplies.

Mozingo earns grant

Maryville was awarded a grant for the creation of two trails at Mozingo Lake.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources awarded the National Recreational Trails Fund grant for a 1.3 mile multipurpose woodchip trail.

The trail will be located on the southwest side of Mozingo Lake and will feature two wooden bridges.

The total projected value of the grant, written by the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, was \$100,704, of which the city will be awarded \$49,345.

Wonderland set up

Maryville residents and Northwest students are invited to help set up the annual Winter Wonderland. Setup will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at Franklin Park. Hot chocolate will be served.

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Public Safety

Monday, Nov. 2

■ Michelle M. Krambeck, Maryville, and Andrew T. Mackey, Maryville, were southbound on South Main Street. Mackey stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Krambeck. Krambeck received a citation for failure to exercise the highest degree of care.

Tuesday, Nov. 3

■ A summons was issued to Ronald Koehler, 51, Maryville, for a weed and grass violation following complaints on properties in the 200 block of West Second Street.

■ A municipal court warrant for failure to appear was served on John A. Pritchett, 29, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ A municipal court warrant for failure to appear was served on James R. Sampson, 19, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ Gene Wooten, Maryville, was parked on Fifth Street east of Water Street. His vehicle was struck by another vehicle which then left the scene.

■ Aaron B. Phares, Maryville, and Maria N. Newquist, Maryville, were northbound on North Main Street. Newquist was stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Phares. Phares received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

Thursday, Nov. 5

■ An officer took a report of the theft of Chevrolet emblems from vehicles parked in the 200 block of East Second Street. Estimated loss is \$105.

■ Christopher L. Sticken, 20, Maryville, was arrested on an Armed Forces warrant. He is being held for the United States Army.

■ Janet M. Meier, Maryville, pulled away from a stop sign on South Main Street, north of South Avenue and struck Clarence Benson, Maryville, northbound on South Main Street. Meier received a citation for failure to yield.

Friday, Nov. 6

■ An officer in the 300 block of North Market Street observed a northbound vehicle without its headlights on. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Robert J. Henry, 22, Maryville. While talking with him,

an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for operating a motor vehicle with no lights after dark.

■ A Columbia female reported she had lost a ring in the 100 block of East First Street. She described the ring as a white gold band with a Lily of the Valley setting containing nine small diamonds and one large diamond in a flower-like arrangement. Estimated loss value is \$500 to \$1,500.

■ Officers arrested Richard W. Allen, 35, Maryville, on a warrant for violation of parole. He is being held for probation and parole.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 100 block of West Third Street.

■ Amy R. Allen, Maryville, and Jeremy Baumli, Maryville, were northbound on North Main Street. Allen stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Baumli. Baumli received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

Saturday, Nov. 7

■ A fire unit responded to a local care facility on a fire alarm being activated. Upon investigation no fire or smoke was found. It was believed the alarm was activated by a light ballast.

■ A local business reported three male subjects had left without paying for \$16.18 worth of gasoline.

■ A Maryville male reported the front window of his residence had been broken out. Upon investigation, it is believed a bottle was thrown through the window, causing the damage.

■ Johann L. Nigh, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign at the intersection of Market and Edwards streets and could not see around parked cars. Nigh thought it was clear and proceeded into the intersection, striking Kenneth E. Townsend, Maryville, eastbound on Edwards Street. Nigh received a citation for failure to yield.

Sunday, Nov. 8

■ An officer observed two subjects in the 300 block of North Main Street he believed to be fighting. Contact was made with the subjects and after talking to them and witnesses, the following arrests were

made: Byron P. Drago, 21, Burlington Junction, for disorderly conduct-affray; Gregory E. Sewell, 21, Maryville, for disorderly conduct-affray. During this time, another male subject, identified as Edward W. Baker, 22, Maryville, was asked several times to leave the area. After he refused, he was arrested for disorderly conduct and during the arrest procedure, a green leafy substance was found in his possession. He was also issued a summons for possession of a controlled substance. All were released after posting bond.

■ A Maryville male reported the theft of a portable dog box from the side of his residence. He described it as the top half being light blue and the bottom half dark blue. It is made out of plastic or fiberglass material. Estimated loss value is \$80.

Campus Safety

Sunday, Oct. 25

■ Two students were issued summonses for inappropriate behavior while at Rickenbrode Stadium.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

■ An officer investigated a report of a gun in a vehicle in the parking lot behind the Agriculture Mechanics Building. The gun was seized and the student was issued a summons to the vice president of Student Affairs for possession of a weapon on campus.

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Phillips Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

Thursday, Oct. 29

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Douglas Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

■ A student reported damage to their vehicle while it was in the parking lot behind Perrin Hall. An investigation was initiated.

■ An officer investigated a vehicle accident in the parking lot located on Ninth Street.

■ A student reported the theft of bicycle parts from the Franken Hall bike rack. An investigation was initiated.

Friday, Oct. 30

■ An officer investigated a report of improper solicitation on campus. Nicole Wilson and Rebecca Mahurin were contacted and were

given the proper procedures for soliciting on campus and were escorted off campus.

Sunday, Nov. 1

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Roberta Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

Monday, Nov. 2

■ An officer investigated a water problem on the third floor of Hudson Hall. The water leak was passed on to the plumbing department and the problem was corrected.

■ A student reported their vehicle was scratched while parked in the lower lot behind Hudson Hall. An investigation was initiated.

■ An officer responded to a medical emergency in the Conference Center. The patient was evaluated and transported to St. Francis Hospital.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 800 block of North Walnut Street for a traffic violation. The driver submitted to field sobriety tests and was arrested for driving while intoxicated and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tuesday, Nov. 3

■ An officer assisted Maryville Public Safety in the arrest of a student from Dieterich Hall for failure to appear in court.

Friday, Nov. 6

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Dieterich Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle on Northwest Drive for a traffic violation. The driver submitted to field sobriety tests and was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

■ A student reported the theft of a decoration item from their vehicle while it was parked behind Perrin and Roberta halls. An investigation was initiated.

Saturday, Nov. 7

■ An officer responded to an accident at the Student Union circle drive. The driver was identified as Jimmie Wiggins and was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests. He was also issued citations for resisting arrest by flight and carrying concealed weapons.

Sunday, Nov. 8

■ A student reported the theft of a bicycle from the bike rack in front of



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director
World War II veteran and former Maryville Mayor Vilas Young addresses citizens at the courthouse Wednesday for Veteran's Day. Young's speech was followed by a firing squad salute led by VFW 442 past Commander Kenneth Still and current Commander Curtis Coffelt.

New Arrivals

Amanda Nicole Frueh

Charles and Tina Frueh, Conception Junction, are the parents of Amanda Nicole, born Nov. 4 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed seven pounds, two ounces.

Grandparents are Bill and Bernice Stephenson, Ravenwood, and Bernard and Margaret Frueh, Maryville.

Coltin Reid Dorrell

Donna Whitehead and Jimmy Dorrell, Maryville, are the parents of Coltin Reid, born Nov. 6 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed eight pounds, six ounces.

Grandparents are Ann Whitehead, Middletown; David Whitehead, Wellsville; and Douglas Correll, Brookfield; and Douglas Correll, Exello.

Great-grandparents are Clifford and Loucille Maupin, Montgomery City; Jack and Fern Whitehead, Wellsville; Jim and Betty Livingston, Brookfield and Delbert and Loretta Dorrell, Calloo.

Sydney Anne Snow

Mark and Sara Snow, Maryville, are the parents of Sydney Anne, born Nov. 7 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces, and joins one brother, Alex.

Grandparents are Chuck and Judy Parietti, Maryville, and Derrel and Anne Snow, Maryville.

Great-grandparents are Charles Stepp, Maryville, and Amelia Paretti, Mechanieville, N.Y.

Obituaries

Margaret Alexander

Margaret R. Alexander, 77, Hopkins, died Nov. 5 at Heartland Regional Medical Center-East, St. Joseph.

She was born July 9, 1921, to Charles and Elizabeth Thompson in Hopkins.

Survivors include her husband, Robert; two sons, Stephen and David; two daughters, Kristen Guthrie and Michele Weddle; one sister, Mary Kral; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Saturday at the First Christian church in Hopkins. Burial was at Hopkins Cemetery.

John Hopper

John Edward Hopper, 61, Maryville, died Nov. 2 at his home.

He was born April 27, 1937 to Edward and Alice Hopper in Paris, Ill.

Survivors include his companion, Patrick Thompson; two sons, John and Charlie; mother, Alice Kelsheimer and one brother David.

Services were Friday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at the Miriam Cemetery in Maryville.

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Bearcats set to take MIAA

by Colin McDonough
Contributing Reporter

Two seasons ago, the Bearcat football team played host to the Pittsburg State Gorillas with an undisputed conference title on the line in Rickenbrode Stadium.

The Gorillas routed the Bearcats, 40-0, in the season finale and the MIAA had to put two names on the trophy.

Now two years to the day, the Emporia State Hornets will invade the Bearcats' territory with a conference title on the line.

Alan Buckwalter, junior defensive end, said the 'Cats have a motto for this contest.

"No-co," Buckwalter said. "As in, no co-championship. We've been saying that all week in practice."

Although the Bearcats won a share of the title with a 41-7 triumph over Truman State Saturday, the 'Cats are in no mood to share another one, head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

"It's a similar situation (to Pittsburg State) but this is a lot different football team now," Tjeerdsma said. "Back then, we were thrilled to be where we were. This year, we are happy to be a part of it, but it is not at all where we want to be."

Junior punter Jeff LeBlanc said

Saturday's motivation speech will not be too hard.

"We don't want to be co-champs," LeBlanc said. "We've got a lot to gain with a win, and there will be a big crowd. We'll be ready to play."

Two seasons ago, the Bearcats felt the pressure of the big game, but since the Bearcats are already in the playoffs and Emporia is not, the pressure is squarely on the Hornets.

"There is not pressure on us, because if we lose we know we'll already be in the playoffs," Tjeerdsma said. "Emporia has a lot of pressure to win just so they can tie for the conference championship. Also, if they lose they would be alone in second place but could be out of the playoffs because as many as five teams could have two losses in the region."

The Hornets bring in their region "sting and shoot" attack, which has given the Bearcats problems in the past, Tjeerdsma said.

"They are pretty balanced and they throw the ball well," Tjeerdsma said. "(Junior quarterback Trent) Fuller gave us trouble last year. We had a hard time with him, trying to contain him. He's got real good quickness, so it's going to be a real challenge."

Junior cornerback Greg Wayne said the Hornets' offense is tough to contain because of all their motion and movement.



John Petrovic/Missourian Photographer

As snow fell in Kirksville Saturday, the Bearcats celebrate their 41-7 victory over the Truman State Bulldogs in the annual Hickory State game. The 'Cats brought home the Hickory Stick for the third consecutive year. The Emporia

State Hornets will come to Rickenbrode Stadium Saturday for a game that will settle the MIAA. If the 'Cats win, they will claim a third-straight MIAA conference championship. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.

"When they pass, we're going to play a lot of man coverage so we won't get caught up in all the passing routes," Wayne said. "Our defense has done a great job in the past because of our defensive line and having the linebackers fill the holes."

Defensively, the Hornets have stopped opponents' passing games all season and it shows with their No.

1-ranked pass defense in the MIAA.

"They are going to be pretty tough on us and our passing game," Tjeerdsma said. "Last year, they blitzed a lot and that was fine with us, because we were able to make the big plays."

With a victory Saturday the Bearcats will clinch the home-field advantage in the NCAA Division II

playoffs for the first two rounds of competition.

Scott Courter, junior wide receiver, said home-field advantage is a valuable tool late in the season.

"This time of year, there's nothing better than to play at home and get all the fans out there supporting us," Courter said. "There's nothing better than staying home for the playoffs."

Runners qualify for nationals

by Wendy Broker
Contributing Reporter

The Bearcat cross country team again dominated when it counted most, as the men's cross country team won the Great Lakes Regional meet and advanced to the NCAA national meet.

The men went into the regional meet in Hillsdale, Mich., focused on qualifying for the NCAA Division II Championships, a feat that would require them to finish in the top five teams at regionals.

"I'm excited for this group of guys, as hard as they have worked all season," head coach Rich Alsop said. "They came as close to putting it together as they have this year, but

they can be closer."

Seniors Robby Lane and Don Ferree led the men to their victory, finishing fifth and seventh respectively. Sophomore Mike Ostreko, senior Brian Cornelius and freshman Bryce Good finished out the Bearcats' top five at 14th, 16th and 18th respectively.

Ostreko, Ferree and Lane earned all-region honors with their performances.

The men will take a week off before heading to Lawrence, Kan., for the NCAA meet on Nov. 23.

Women end season at regionals

While the men advanced to a higher competition after regionals, the women's season ended.

The women placed sixth of 25 teams, beating and hanging tough with several conference schools at the meet.

They did not move onto nationals, but they excelled in many areas, assistant coach Shannon Torti said.

"Overall, we did well," Torti said. "With this meet, the season ended on a really good note for the women."

Sophomore Megan Carlson was the top finisher for the women placing 18th, followed by senior Lindsey Borgstadt, who finished 25th for the team. Senior Amber Martin placed 42nd for the 'Cats followed by sophomore Sarah Handrup and junior Becca Gassel at 58th and 82nd respectively.



John Petrovic/Missourian Photographer
Freshman center, Chris Borchers, 34, shoots over a teammate in a scrimmage on Monday. The 'Cats will open their season Saturday.

Williams scored an average of 12.8 points and grabbed 6.4 rebounds per game. Redd earned 13.8 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.

Northwest is ranked fifth in the MIAA preseason basketball poll — a ranking that Tappemeyer said he is not surprised with.

"Obviously we're not going to be satisfied with fifth," head coach Steve Tappemeyer said. "I thought we'd be somewhere in the middle of the pack. We lost two awful good players — an All-American point guard and an All-Conference forward. We've got some places that we have to fill and things we've got to improve."

Junior transfer Kareem Preston and freshman Ke'Lan Mitchell will vie to run the point guard position.

Basketball begins play

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

The quest to repeat as MIAA champions and return to the NCAA Division II regional tournament will begin for the Bearcat's men's basketball team Saturday.

The 'Cats will open their season against Benedictine College, at 7:30 p.m. at Bearcat Arena.

The 'Cats are coming off of a 23-7 record last year. The team finished 13-3 in the MIAA conference and tied with Missouri Western State for the conference championship.

Despite the losses of last year's MIAA Most Valuable Player Shawn "Shakey" Harrington and forward Brian Burleson, the 'Cats have a solid base in returning senior forwards Levant Williams and Matt Redd.

Lady 'Cats look to improve on last season

by Travis Dimmitt
Missourian Reporter

If potential could be measured in monetary value, the 1998-99 Bearcat women's basketball team would be rich. Northwest has high hopes for improving on last season's 18-9 record and making a run on the MIAA championship.

Bearcat fortunes will begin with what should be a powerful inside game, anchored by 6-foot-2-inch towers juniors Denise Sump and Linda Mattson. Mattson started in 16 games last season, and averaged 7.4 points and 6.9 rebounds per contest.

Sump was named second-team All-MIAA as a sophomore. She led the Bearcats in scoring, rebounding and field goal percentages last year. Sump averaged 19.3 points and 10.4 rebounds per game. She shot 53.7 percent from the field in 23 starts.

Head coach Wayne Winstead said Northwest's only two returning starters will play significant roles this year, but will have help via an improved outside game. He said much of that improvement will take place behind the three-point line with the addition of junior college transfer Liza Gualandi. The junior shooting guard red-shirted her first

year in a Bearcat uniform. She is now ready to make a significant contribution.

The Bearcats will play a lot of new faces, and Winstead said an early goal is to perfect the team's chemistry for the long conference road.

"That's our chief, our No. 1 objective — to get the veterans and the new kids meshed together as a team," Winstead said. "I think we've improved with every practice."

The 'Cats will end their exhibition season Friday against the Nebraska All-Stars in Bearcat Arena. The game will begin after an MIAA volleyball match that is scheduled for 7 p.m.



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

Bearcat outside hitter Shelli Suda gets into position to for the dig as her teammates (from left) Abby Sunderman, Shannon Ross and Jill Quast prepare for their next move. The 'Cats lost the match to Truman State in three straight sets.

Bulldogs drop spikers, close season Saturday

by Barry Piatt
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest volleyball team lost its third straight match 3-0 to Truman State Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena.

The Bulldogs dominated the match, 15-7, 15-12 and 15-2, improving to 22-13 on the year and 10-6 in the conference. Northwest dropped to 19-12 overall and 5-9 in the MIAA.

Northwest had nine kills and a block from sophomore Jill Quast. Sophomore Abby Williams contributed 23 assists and 20 digs. Sophomore Shelli Suda collected 20 digs, and freshman Jennifer Monson added one block.

Truman was led by sophomore Janelle Zehr, who collected 12 kills and four blocks. Senior Kelly Mangels had a game-high 36 assists, and freshman Brenda Ippensen contributed 14 digs.

After losing in four games to the Bulldogs Oct. 14 in Kirksville, the 'Cats couldn't manage a win against Truman Wednesday night. Monson said the 'Cats had one bright spot in the match, but there are many things they didn't do well.

"Our defense was pretty good,

but we have a lot of other things we need to work on," she said.

With the hope of receiving a berth in the Regional Tournament Nov. 20-21 gone, Monson said Northwest has one goal left to obtain this season.

"We just want to win our final two games of the season and move up in the conference standings a little bit."

Northwest will wrap up its season this weekend with a Friday night match against Missouri Southern, followed by a Saturday morning match with Pittsburg State, both in Bearcat Arena.

Northwest defeated the Lions in five games at Joplin in four games at Pittsburg, Kan., during a weekend road trip Oct. 2 and 3.

Head coach Sarah Pelster is hoping this weekend is successful for the Bearcats, but she expects both teams to be tough.

"They are both very competitive teams and we are hoping for good matches with them," she said.

The Missouri Southern match will begin 7 p.m. Friday, while the season finale against Pittsburg State will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bearcat Arena.

the Stat sheet

NCAA Div. II Football Poll

1. Central Oklahoma (10-0)
2. Northwest (10-0)
3. Carson-Newman (Tenn.) (9-1)
4. California-Davis (9-1)
5. Slippery Rock (Pa.) (9-1)
6. Northern Colorado (9-1)
7. North Dakota (8-1)
8. Indiana (Pa.) (9-1)
9. Albany State (Ga.) (9-1)
10. Emporia State (Kan.) (9-1)
11. Texas A & M - Kingsville (8-2)
12. Fort Valley State (Ga.) (9-1)
13. Shepherd (W. Va.) (8-1)
14. Grand Valley State (Mich.) (8-2)
15. West Texas A & M (8-2)
16. Nebraska-Omaha (8-2)
17. Delta State (Miss.) (7-2)
18. West Georgia (9-1)
19. Chadron State (Nebr.) (8-2)
20. Winona State (Minn.) (9-0)

MIAA football

	W	L	Overall
Northwest	8	0	10 0
Emporia State	7	1	9 1
Pittsburg State	5	3	6 3
Truman State	5	3	5 5
Central Mo.	5	3	7 3
Washburn	3	5	4 6
Mo. Western	3	5	5 5
Mo. Southern	3	5	3 6
SW Baptist	1	7	2 8
Rolla	0	8	0 10

Northwest vs. Emporia Team statistics

Scoring offense points per game
1. Northwest, 44.1
2. Emporia State, 39.5

Total offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 484.2
2. Northwest, 469.8

Rushing offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 264.5
4. Northwest, 186.1

Passing offense yards per game
1. Northwest, 283.7
2. Emporia State, 219.7

Total defense yards per game
1. Pittsburg State, 266.2
3. Northwest, 308.6
4. Emporia State, 311.2

Rushing defense yards per game
1. Northwest, 113.7
6. Emporia State, 180.4

Passing defense
1. Emporia State, 130.8
8. Northwest, 194.9

Individual Statistics

Rushing yards per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 209.2
2. Derek Lane, NW, 81.5

Passing efficiency
1. Chris Greisen, NW, 150.9
2. Trent Fuller, ESU, 137.6

Total offense yards per game
1. Chris Greisen, NW, 255.7
2. Trent Fuller, ESU, 213.7

Receiving yards per game
1. Marc Nardella, WU, 106.5
2. Tony Miles, NW, 84.6
3. Lester McCoy ESU, 69.8
5. Jarett Vito, ESU, 63.4
7. Chet Pobolish, ESU, 55.5
9. J.R. Hill, NW, 42.3

All-purpose yards per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 253.6
2. Tony Miles, NW, 160.7

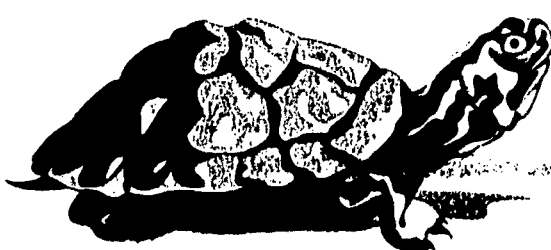
Scoring points per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 16.4
2. David Purnell, NW, 7.9
5. Derek Lane, NW, 6.6
6. Tony Miles, NW, 6.0
10. Elias Matsakis, ESU, 5.6

MIAA volleyball

	MIAA		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Central Mo.	14	0	25	4
Emporia State	11	3	26	7
Truman State	9	6	21	13
Mo. Western	8	6	20	16
Northwest	5	8	19	11
Washburn	5	9	12	21
Mo. Southern	5	9	6	18
SW Baptist	4	10	14	19
Pittsburg State	2	12	8	16

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'Hound's postseason hopes ruined

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

The Maryville football season came to a heart-breaking end Friday night. The team lost its chance to move into the playoffs when the Chillicothe Hornets upset the Spoofhounds.

The Hornets stung the 'Hounds 28-14, and for the second consecutive year Maryville's season was brought to an abrupt end in the district championship game.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras said the 'Hounds couldn't seem to get anything started, but he was proud of his team for not giving up.

"It didn't go very well for us tonight," Lliteras said. "They came out and got that running game going and we had trouble shutting it down. They controlled the line of scrimmage. We had trouble getting our blocks on pass protection, and Nick (Glasnapp, senior quarterback) was running for his life all night. We didn't quit fighting. We battled and battled, and we kept on playing hard. They were the better football team tonight."

The 'Hounds, ranked first in the Midland Empire Conference in defense and offense, were mesmerized by Chillicothe's running attack of seniors Wyatt Pickering and Billy Peniston.

Pickering had 23 carries for 228 yards on the night, including rushes of 46 and 66 yards.

Senior linebacker John Edmonds said Chillicothe kept Maryville's defense guessing throughout the game.

"Their whole line did a heck of a job," Edmonds said. "When we started setting our line, they ran it the other way and took our D-line out of the play. In past years, they've

been a run-to-the-strong-side team. Tonight they kind of surprised us. They ran to the weak side quite a bit."

Chillicothe's passing game also clicked. Senior quarterback David Wolf completed six of eight passes for 67 yards.

Senior running back Mike Nanninga put the 'Hounds on the board in the first quarter, but it wasn't enough. Chillicothe tied the game at seven a piece in the second quarter and the 'Hounds never relinquished the lead.

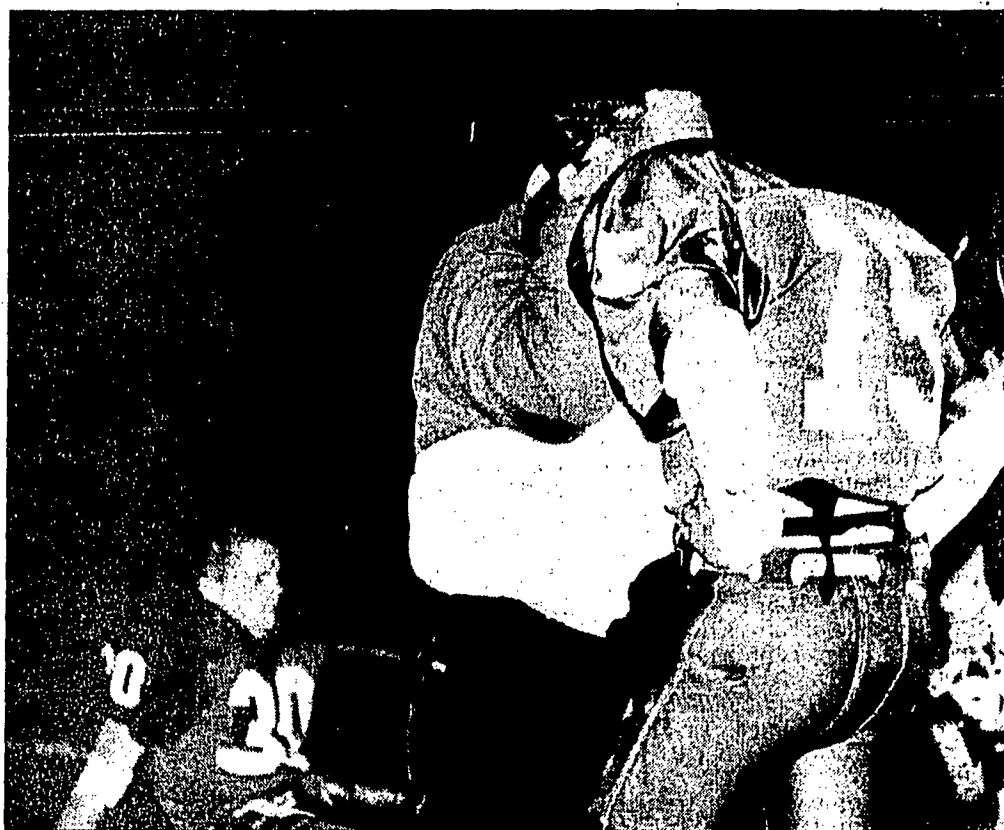
When time expired, Lliteras huddled his team in the end zone and told them to hold their heads high.

The 'Hounds went 8-1 and were crowned Midland Empire Champions for the second straight year.

"We had several holes to fill and our kids stepped in and played well all year long," Lliteras said. "There's so many moments, from watching these kids running passes and move the football around. The defense played really well for the most part and those are fun things. The big win against Savannah two weeks ago was fun. Life goes on and you've got to keep your head up. There's good things and bad things that happen."

The loss to Chillicothe marked the last high school football game for 14 Maryville seniors. Lliteras said this year's senior class was a close group and they carried themselves well.

"I'm really happy and excited for this bunch," Lliteras said. "They've led this football team through the season. They were very good role models. They kept us close as far as the team goes. They played very well together and they were an inspiration to the whole football team."



In the background, senior running back Adam Otte sits alone in disbelief as senior quarterback Nick Glasnapp buries his head in his step-father's shoulder. Friday night's

heartbreaking loss to Chillicothe marked the second consecutive year that they have been eliminated during district play after finishing the regular season undefeated.

On the sidelines Playoff system needs thought



■ Mark Hornickel

When time ran out for the Spoofhounds on Friday night all I could say to myself was "It wasn't supposed to end this way."

The football team was defeated by the Chillicothe Hornets 28-14.

But that's not the worst of it. The real kicker is that Maryville ended (that's right — ended) the season with a record of 8-1. Chillicothe is 7-2 and will continue its season in the state playoffs.

The way it works is this: each team has a regular season schedule of nine games. The last three games are considered district games. No matter its record in the previous six games, whichever team earns the best record in the district games moves on to the state playoffs.

Going into the game, Chillicothe and Maryville had each earned 2-0 records in district play. Chillicothe beat the 'Hounds, thus earning a perfect record in district play and the right to move into the playoffs.

To say it is unfair that an 8-1 team which crushed every team in one of the most competitive conferences in the state and ranked No. 1 in offense and defense is not going on in the playoffs is an understatement.

I'm not saying Chillicothe doesn't deserve to be in the playoffs. The Hornets have a top-notch running game and they beat Maryville fair and square, but Maryville deserves to be right up there with them competing for a state championship.

It goes further than Maryville. In another district game on Friday night Lafayette, a 4-5 team, shocked Benton, a 6-3 team. Lafayette moved into the playoffs and, once again, the better team was snubbed.

Have the officials at the Missouri State High School Activities Association not heard of brackets? You know, those things they use in post seasons for Major League Baseball, the NFL, the NBA, the NHL, college basketball and most other sports. It's a nice concept where the top teams in each league are put into these so-called brackets. The best teams play against each other, and when teams lose they are eliminated from the brackets. Then, the team that advances all the way through the brackets wins the championship.

The Missourian Photography Director and I had signed the press form one day earlier to attend the state championship game.

As a writer, I'm not supposed to get too close to the events I cover. But I couldn't help it. This year's Maryville football team was just too fun to watch. I couldn't help but fall in love with the team as they beat opponents week after week.

Perhaps one of the eeriest feelings I've experienced came when the final seconds ticked away Friday night. I stood there motionless as Chillicothe players leaped past me and fans stormed onto the field.

I watched as tears flooded the eyes of Maryville players, cheerleaders, students and family members.

You could say they had no right to cry because they had such a great season. But it wasn't supposed to end like that.

Mark Hornickel is the sports editor of The Northwest Missourian.

Basketball season gears up for girls

by Barry Platt
Missourian Reporter

Last year marked the first winning season in 10 years for the Maryville girls' basketball team. As the 1998-99 season begins, the Lady 'Hounds are confident the success of last season will carry into this year.

"I think we could go pretty far this year," senior forward Keri Lohafar said. "We have a lot of potential with our size, but we are going to have to stay focused and play hard all the time."

That size will be provided in part by Lohafar, a 6-foot-1-inch returning starter, and senior post player Erin Heflin, who at 5 feet 6 inches was a starter last year. Maryville's other returning starter from last year's 17-8 team is senior guard Stephanie Duncan.

Head coach Jeff Martin said in addition to Lohafar, Heflin and Duncan, he is looking for contributions from two other seniors: guard Megan McLaughlin and forward/guard Shea O'Riley.

The 'Hounds will have to replace six seniors from last year's squad, including honorable mention all-conference post player Abbey Lade. Three seniors that graduated last year will need to be replaced: Kari Baumgartner, Allison Jonagan and Cynthia Prokes.

In the Midland Empire Conference, Martin expects Savannah, who finished second in the state in Class 3A last March, and Benton to be the teams to beat this season. He also said Platte County, Chillicothe and Lafayette will be very competitive.

Martin is optimistic about the upcoming season, but knows winning won't come easy.

"We established some nice things



Greg Hetrick/Chief Photographer

A pair of Spoofhounds are warming up for the season with a scrimmage during practice on Tuesday night. The 'Hounds started practice on Nov. 2 and will open their season on Nov. 24 against Excelsior Springs.

last year, and we need to build on that," he said. "Staying injury free is a concern for us. In the first week of practice, we've had a thumb injury and an ankle injury to a couple of our sophomore players, and Megan (McLaughlin) will miss about two weeks of practice with a back injury she suffered from weight training. We hope to have her back by the start of the season."

Maryville will open its season at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 24 at Excelsior Springs.

Hoopsters prep for year

by Blake Drehle
Missourian Reporter

Activity on the hardwood at Maryville High School is heating up as the boys basketball team prepares for a new season. Experience is the key factor for the Spoofhounds, who finished 22-5 last year.

Head coach Mike Kuvitzky is excited about the upcoming season.

"I am encouraged and optimistic about the season," Kuvitzky said. "I think that this is going to be a fun year with a team full of great kids who will work hard and play together as a team."

Grapplers lack experience for new season

by Blake Drehle
Missourian Reporter

After losing four state qualifiers to graduation last year, the Maryville Spoofhounds wrestling team will find competition a little more difficult this year.

The Spoofhounds finished last season with a record of 7-3, but head coach Joe Drake is having to start from scratch this year with a group of inexperienced wrestlers.

"A big part of the team is still out for football, which gives us the

opportunity to work with more experienced wrestlers," Drake said. Senior D.J. Merrill returns as the team's only state qualifier and knows he will have to step up in order for the team to be successful.

"This is going to be a totally different year from the last several years with guys trying to learn the system. But with dedication, I do believe that we will surprise some people," Merrill said.

Drake knows the junior varsity players will have to step up and wrestle as well as the varsity

Walter, Mike Nanninga, and junior Pat Jordan will return.

Glasnapp said the returning players on this year's team will enhance its opportunity to perform well.

"We should be a pretty good team this year, in that the guys on the team should be comfortable with things this year," Glasnapp said.

The 'Hounds will be entering the season with opponents gunning for them in the Nodaway County Tournament; they have won it five of the last six years. Teams will also be going after the 'Hounds in the Savannah tournament; the team has won it the last eight years.



Runner goes to state

The Maryville cross country team sent one representative to state competition at Oak Hills Golf Course in Jefferson City Saturday. Sophomore Jennifer Heller finished 91st

out of about 140 runners at the meet with a time of 22:42.

Head coach Ron Eckerson was pleased with Heller's performance.

"I thought she had a very good time compared to her district time and some of the other athletes I have had go to the state level," Eckerson said. "And she's only a sophomore, so hopefully she'll get there a couple more years."

Heller was proud of the team's accomplishments this season.

"We all worked really hard," Heller said. "I just wish the whole team could have gone to state instead of just me."



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Polar Bears

Team teaches swimming skills, competition



Dave Kompellen/Missourian Photographer

by Blake Drehle
Missourian Reporter

With the fall season of sports winding down and winter approaching, things are getting wet at the Aquatic Center.

The Northwest Polar Bear's swim team is in the middle of their semester long season. Boys and girls ranging from ages 7 to 14 are participating to improve their swimming abilities.

The team of 23 swimmers is part of the United States Swimming Certified Team and competes in the Missouri Valley swim meet. It is coached by Chad Holmes, second year coach and a junior physical education and recreation major.

"When I got involved with the program in '96, I started out with seven kids," Holmes said. "Last season we only had 13 and still did pretty good, so I'm hoping for a better season this year."

Assisting Holmes is Andre Griesken, second year coach and a Northwest junior, who is looking for-

ward to the season.

"I'm very excited of improving this season," Griesken said. "A lot of people have stepped up and are doing better."

The Polar Bears have six meets a semester. The meets are usually held every weekend in cities like Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb., and Des Moines, Iowa. If the swimmers do well, they advance to Division I competition in Topeka, Kan.

The team participated in its first meet Oct. 22-24 in Independence. At the Independent swim meet, Nick Zweisel qualified for Division I and level I in freestyle competition.

Brandon Sannon also qualified for level I and is the only 14-year-old on the team. The team has improved 92 percent in 172 meets, Holmes said.

They have completed two other meets in Olathe, Kan., and Chillicothe last weekend. Every swimmer qualified for the level II competition, which will be held Dec. 11-12 at Park Hill.

The meets include different events, such as the butterfly, breast-

stroke, backstroke and long distance events of 500, 200, 100 and 50 meters.

There are also kids who swim the 25-meter long distance. Ribbons and medals are awarded to high placed participants.

Holmes enjoys it when the swimmers are able to win ribbons and medals, but he'd rather see his team setting goals for themselves and improving on them.

"At the beginning of the season, I have each member write down five goals that they want to accomplish this year, and we make sure they do that," he said.

This year Holmes also decided to start a "stair stepping" program. He gets children who have been swimming for the last two years involved by setting higher goals to make Division I.

Michelle Fink, 12, believes in the system and has set her own goal.

"I want to be able to reach my first goal by reaching both divisions, because I know that I can if I try hard enough," Fink said.

Kelly Dawson, 11, also wants to



Dave Kompellen/Missourian Photographer

Polar Bears coach Chad Holmes (far left) gives swimmers tips on stroke techniques during practice. The Polar Bears practice four days a week and are gearing up for the Independence Invitational Nov. 22 and 23. The team has traveled to Chillicothe and Olathe, Kan., to compete in events such as the breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.

Polar Bear swimmers work on kicking drills during a recent practice. A typical workout for the Polar Bears includes a warm-up, a series of strokes and kicking techniques.

help improve herself by setting higher goals.

"I hope to gain more speed and become a stronger swimmer this winter," Dawson said.

The Polar Bears swim team also gets support from parents.

Christina Heins, mother of two swimmers and treasurer of the team, enjoys seeing her children get exercise.

"It's a good thing for them to do daily," Heins said. "Swimming is a reparative sport, and it helps the kids to think about their past days' events."

Sandra Wood, secretary of the team and mother of two swimmers, is happy with the way Holmes is

helping the kids.

"Chad is doing good as a coach by helping the children build self-esteem with goal setting," Wood said. "My son, Tristen, could barely make it to the end of the pool at the beginning of last season, and by the end of the season he could swim the 100 meters."

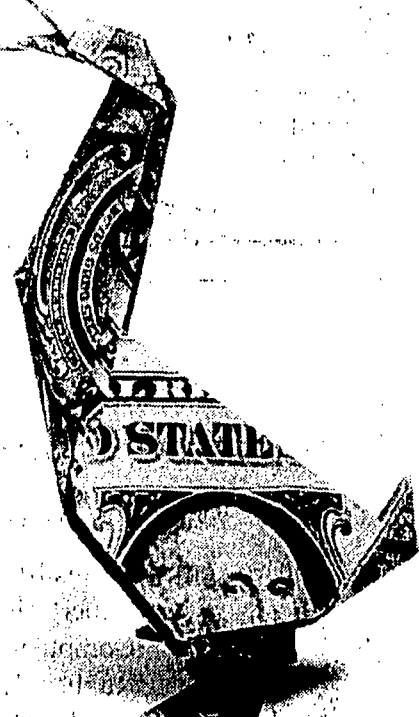
Overall, Holmes is impressed with the team's practice and realizes how hard it can be on them.

"The practices run about two hours, four days a week," he said. "The kids swim about two miles without any complaints."

Holmes is confident the team is ready to compete with other competition in the Missouri Valley meet.

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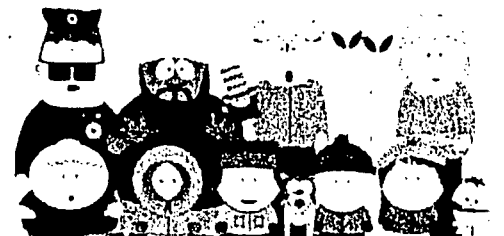
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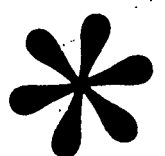
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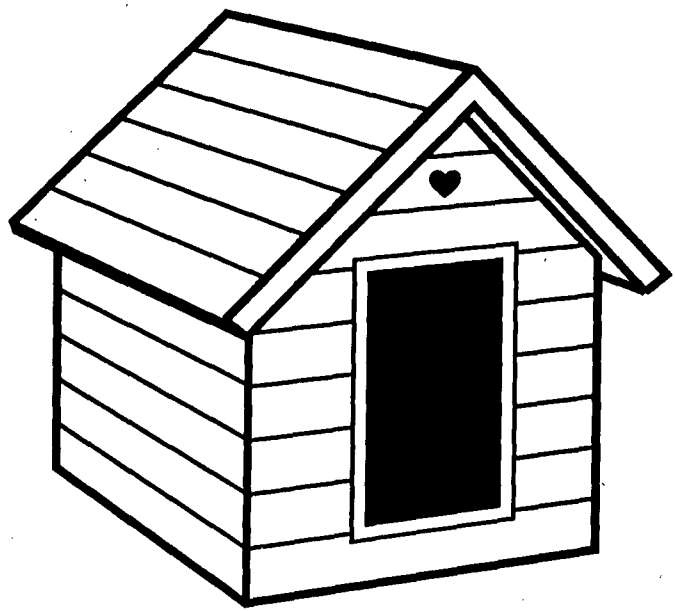
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by Michelle Murphy
Missourian Reporter

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For many people, taking care of one pet is a big responsibility, but imagine taking care of close to 750 animals on a daily basis.

M'Shoogy's in Savannah is a one-of-a-kind animal shelter. M'Shoogy's is an animal rescue that takes in injured, abandoned or abused animals and puts them up for adoption. M'Shoogy's never kills any of the animals that come into their care.

M'Shoogy's has been in the business for 13 years. The name of the shelter was brought to owner Gary Silverglat's attention and is Yiddish for "crazy."

The business is a family operation that is run in the family's backyard. It consists of 20 acres of land, and they use every inch of it.

For the past eight years, renovations have been taking place. M'Shoogy's efforts have been to make the shelter not only appealing to the people interested in adoption, but appealing to the animals. It is shaded by dozens of trees and contains a clinic and an exercise area behind the pens for the animals. M'Shoogy's is not your typical animal shelter.

The first year the family lived on the farm, they had 13 dogs given to them. This was only the beginning.

"When we first moved here, we were just surprised at how many animals were homeless in the country," Silverglat said. "So many people just came out to the country to throw away their animals, and we decided to do something about that."

From that point on, it has grown in leaps and bounds. Silverglat said the shelter has grown to contain 750 animals. There are times when they have over 750 and the pens get full. Currently, there are 600 dogs at the shelter.

"It just kept adding up with all the animals, and we just started building pens, because we didn't want to kill them," said Silverglat's daughter Ashley Campbell. "We have animals finding us, such as the strays, as well as people just giving us animals to adopt out."

Any type of animal can live at M'Shoogy's. With Silverglat's agriculture background, they knew enough to get started and save animals' lives.

Currently, they are licensed through the state for domestic conservation and farm animals, as well as raptors, which means they can help save an injured eagle, owl or hawk.

"We wanted to be able to rescue anything that anybody calls us on," Silverglat's wife Lisa said. "Right now, we have dogs, cats, horses, goats, deer, a nine-week-old raccoon and a hawk all living with us. We also have two emergency vehicles that make runs when we get calls on injured animals."

With over 750 animals to care for, the next question is how are they able to provide for these animals. According to Gary, they depend on donations.

From time to time, Wal-Mart has given the shelter broken bags of dog food as a donation, but 99 percent of the money comes out of the family's own pocket. The family used to operate other home businesses, but the shelter needed more time and energy, and they have since dropped those businesses.

"We rely on ourselves for now," Gary said. "But we could really use some volunteer help around here. A lot of people in the northwest area don't take the time to help."

The reason behind the family's generosity is pretty simple.

"We want to give something back to the animals," Campbell said. "We don't want to kill them like they do in most shelters, because they don't care. We care about the animals here."

The Silverglats not only have opened their door and their hearts to animals, but also to five adopted children of their own.

"Before I met Lisa, she had already had adopted three kids," Gary Silverglat said. "When we got together we adopted two more children. They range in the ages of 13 to 22 years old."

The entire family contributes its time to the shelter. Every available working hand chips in at the home.

"Because we all work here, we all pretty much have turned into animal lovers," Campbell said. "All of us kids help out around the farm. We all have our individual sections and pens. We each have about 100 to 150 animals that we take care of a piece."

At M'Shoogy's, anyone can adopt a animal.

There's a \$45 fee, which includes the price to spay or neuter, to give all the shots, deworming and heart worm check, as well as two weeks of free medical attention.

"Most of the animals we rescue are abused," Lisa Silverglat said. "So when that animal is being adopted, we are up front and tell the person interested in the animal its history, such as if it was abused, injured, abandoned or whatever."

"We don't want any unhappy people or pets. Everyone has a two-week trial period, if something was to go wrong, such as an unhappy animal or pet owner, they can return the pet and get a full refund."

M'Shoogy's is one of a kind. There is no other business that compares to M'Shoogy's in the United States, Lisa said.



The Nodaway Animal Shelter, managed by the New Nodaway Humane Society, has lots of puppies like this 8-week-old male Heeler mix up for adoption.

Adoption for males is \$40 and \$50 for females. The fee includes, spaying or neutering of the pets and their first round of shots.

Shelter animals need tender loving care

by Ashley Gerken
Missourian Reporter

A cold, windy night, alone and scared, the homeless animals await that one chance to find a warm, inviting home.

Stray, abandoned and abused animals are taken in and cared for by volunteers at the Nodaway Animal Shelter who are working for the betterment of the animals.

The shelter, managed by the New Nodaway Humane Society, works to promote animal welfare, funds a spay and neuter program, educates the schools and community and promotes the placement of the animals.

The volunteers at the shelter care for the basic necessities of the animals, fulfill emotional needs and look out for other animals in danger. The shelter is also involved in cruelty investigations.

"This is something we take seriously and if animals are in immediate danger, such as not having food or shelter, they will be immediately taken in," said Kenneth Hill, president of the Humane Society.

Abandoned and neglected animals are not easily detected.

"It is hard to prove the neglect cases, and some people think that just giving your pet food and shelter is enough," said Ingrid Hill, secretary of the Society. "It isn't enough. People need to pay attention to their animals."

The shelter is constantly full of animals that need homes. Through July of this year, 309 dogs and 90 cats were brought to the shelter. Fifty-two had to be euthanized, said Sharon Bonnet, publicity director of the Society.

"This statistic is the goal behind our slogan 'Adopt one until there are none,'" Bonnet said.

The Humane Society is working hard to place the animals and is trying to promote the foster homes for the pets. Often this is a chance for the animals to get out of the shelter and become a well trained animal that will be ready for adoption.

"The goal of the foster home program is to take 'highly adoptable' animals and train them to become pets people are going to want," Bonnet said. "Often we need to potty train the animals and see how they respond to children before people will consider adopting them."

The board members of the Humane Society often take the animals home.

The Nodaway Animal Shelter is accepting clean aluminum cans 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday for its "Can Do It" fund drive.

They are also accepting volunteers willing to work at the shelter or to take the dogs on walks.

"We have had four different animals in our home, trained them and now they are placed with other families," Kenneth Hill said.

Potential foster owners of the animals must meet qualifications.

"To become eligible for adoption, someone must show a desire to help out the animals and they must be able to ensure they will be able to provide the necessities for the animals," Bonnet said.

Recently the shelter received a top rating as a result of an inspection by the Missouri Department of Agriculture. The superior rating came after an unannounced annual visit by a state inspector.

The inspection included the condition of the interior and exterior of the shelter, the health and safety of the animals housed and the maintenance of the shelter records.

"We are happy that we have met the state's requirements, but there is so much more we want to do for these animals," Hill said.

The shelter is planning build a new facility within the next five years.

"We want to build a shelter with a pet store environment," Hill said. "Cement floors and an indoor meeting room for people to meet with dogs they are considering for adoption."

The project will cost a minimum of \$250,000. The Society does receive some funding from the city of Maryville, but the majority goes to two full-time employees' salaries and the shelter's needs, said Bonnet.

Most of the money for the new shelter will come from fund-raising. The shelter launched a "Can Do It" fund drive that will continue throughout November. The money raised will go toward pet food.

According to Kenneth Hill, the "Paws to Recycle" program is part of a national effort to encourage people to help their environment while helping animals.

"Our animal shelter will be competing with other shelters throughout the nation to draw attention to the environment and our animals and to earn a \$3,000 grand prize," he said.



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M'Shoogy's is an animal shelter that is currently caring for 750 animals. The shelter is "one-of-a-kind," according to owner Lisa Silverglat. They are licensed to save anything from an injured eagle to a stray dog or cat. Pets can be adopted for \$45 which includes the price to spay or neuter, the first round of shots, deworming, a heart worm check and two weeks of free medical attention.

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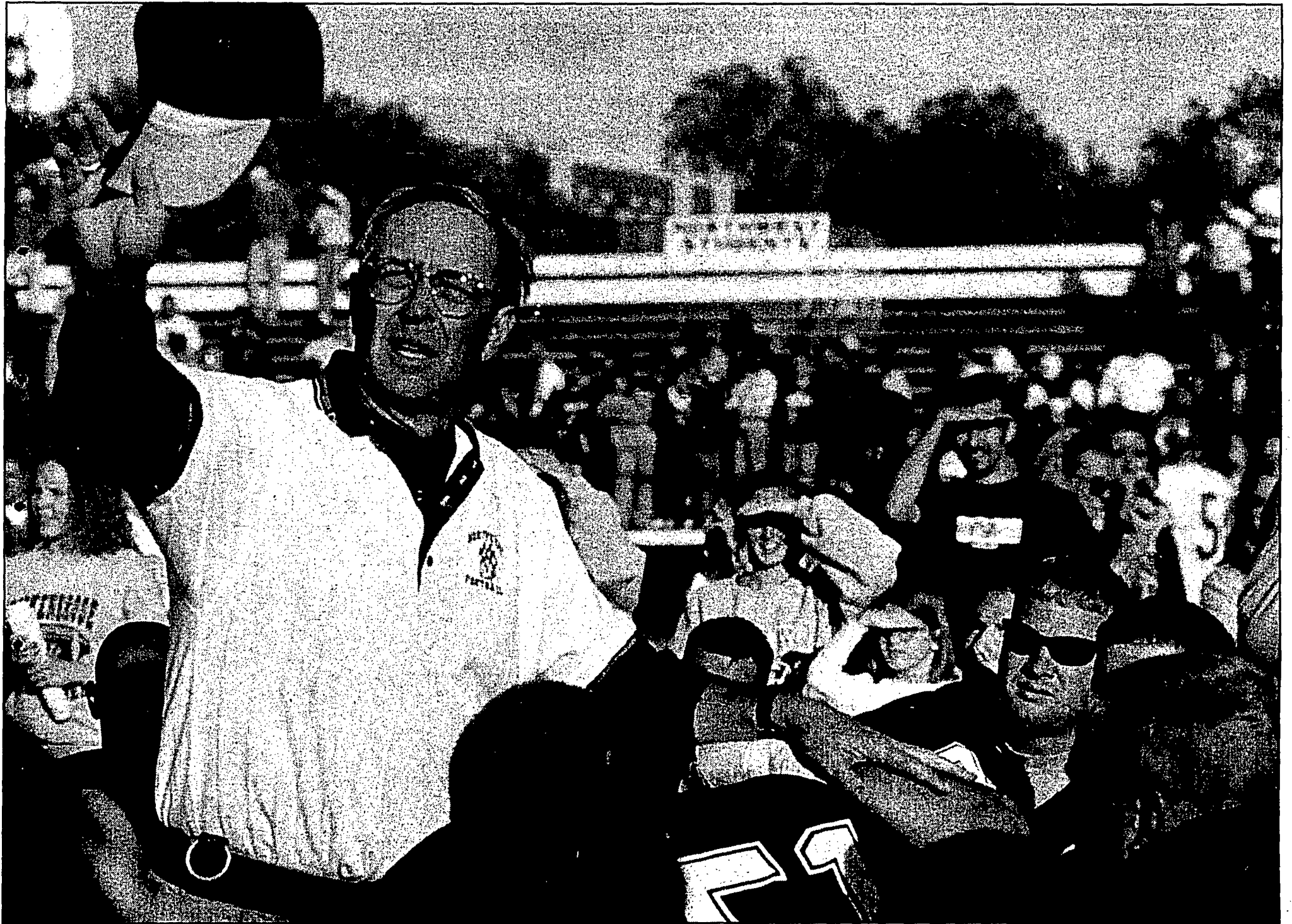
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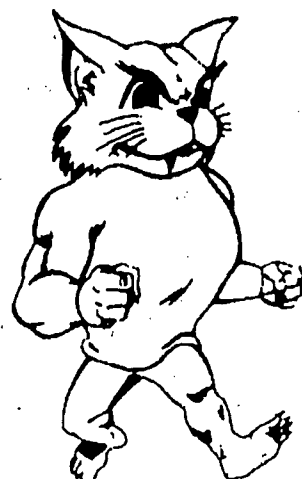
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*Mel Tjeerdsma tries to point the 'Cats to a third straight MIAA conference title.
Two of college football's top players, Northwest quarterback Chris Griesen and
Emporia State running back Brian Shay face off
as Tjeerdsma looks to earn his 100th career coaching victory against the Hornets Saturday.*

Northwest Bearcats vs. Emporia Hornets

Bearcats

Points: 44.1
 Points allowed: 16.5
 Total offense: 469.8
 Rushing offense: 186.1
 Passing offense: 283.7
 Total defense: 308.5
 Rushing defense: 113.7
 Passing defense: 194.9
 Time of possession: 30:40
 3rd-down con.: 62/133 (47%)
 4th-down con.: 7/16 (44%)
 Field goals: 9-12 (75%)
 Top passer: Chris Greisen 298-181-12, 60.7 completion pct., 21 TDs;
 Top Rusher: Derek Lane 128-815, 81.5 ypg, 11 TDs
 Top Receiver: Tony Miles 52-845, 84.5 ypg, 8 TDs;
 Top Tackler: Aaron Crowe 83 total tackles, 9 TFL, 4 sacks
 Brian Williams 79 total tackles, 8 TFL, 3 FRs;



■ Chris Greisen

The talent around you makes you a better player. We are such great friends that we all want to do better.



■ Brian Shay

If I had my way, every one of my teammates names would be listed in the record books.



Hornets

Points: 39.5
 Points allowed: 20.7
 Total offense: 484.2
 Rushing offense: 254.5
 Passing offense: 219.7
 Total defense: 311.2
 Rushing defense: 180.4
 Passing defense: 130.8
 Time of possession: 26:59
 3rd-down con.: 54/126 (43%)
 4th-down con.: 15/31 (52%)
 Field goals: 4-7 (57%)
 Top passer: Trent Fuller 242-142-8, 58.7 completion pct., 13 TDs
 Top Rusher: Brian Shay 266-2,092, 209.2 ypg, 27 TDs
 Top Receiver: Lester McCoy 38-698, 69.8 ypg, 4 TDs
 Top Tackler: Leon Brigham 104 total tackles, 20 TFL
 Gerard Clemons 94 total tackles, 18 TFL, 6 sacks.

Top collegians square off Saturday

by Colin McDonough
 Contributing Reporter

Division II football fans, it just doesn't get any better than this.

Arguably, the two best players in the nation will be on the same field Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium. The game will match Emporia State's Brian Shay against Northwest's Chris Greisen.

Shay has been "Mr. Everything" for the Hornets in his four-year career, setting every rushing and scoring record in Division II football.

Since the 1996 season, Shay has averaged 192.4 yards per game. He is the first collegian to rush for more than 1,900 yards in three consecutive seasons.

"If I had my way, every one of my teammates names would be listed in the record books," Shay said. "These are something that later in life I can look back on and be proud of, but for now my only focus is to win football games."

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said Shay is an impressive player but not one the Bearcats will be scared of.

"Don't get me wrong, he's a great player and he has done a lot for Emporia State and the conference," Tjeerdsma said. "We've got great respect for him and his abilities. But we are not in awe of him and we're not going to make a special deal about stopping him."

Greisen said the media and fans

will love the opportunity to see two of the most talented players in college football, but not to get to enthrall in the matchup.

"It's definitely for the reporters and fans to look at, but you have to remember it's still a game," Greisen said. "It's Emporia State versus Northwest. It's not Brian Shay versus Chris Greisen. We won't have the chance to tackle each other because we'll both be on offense, so it's not really a matchup."

Junior cornerback Greg Wayne said it's a great opportunity for the fans to enjoy the moment.

"It's going to be pretty exciting to see the best back in college football," Wayne said.

This chance for Shay and Greisen to play against each other almost didn't happen.

Northwest almost lost Greisen after his freshman year. He was disappointed because he did not get the chance to play quarterback and his role was a backup.

"I didn't like having to sit out, because I would have rather been out there," Greisen said. "It was frustrating to go 0-11, so I was thinking about transferring. But coach Tjeerdsma and (Jim) Svoboda were great people and great coaches. I was looking at those guys and the rest of the team and I didn't want to bale out and quit on them. I didn't and we've been rolling ever since."

Greisen's stock has been rising

since last season's passing effort of 2,456 yards, 23 touchdowns and only 7 interceptions. This season he broke his own passing record with 2,658 yards. He has also passed for 21 touchdowns.

Even though Greisen has shattered the record books, he knows he does not deserve all the credit.

"It's great to get recognition and I've gotten nominated for the Harlon Hill and All-America honors, but it all starts with the offensive line, the receivers and the backs," Greisen said. "They are the ones making me look good. All I have to do is pass the ball. I'm sure Brian Shay would say the same thing at Emporia, because, after all, it is a team game."

Even though Greisen did not like his time spent on the bench, he said he learned early on that a back-up signal caller is important.

"I learned in high school that the most important guy on the team is the back-up quarterback," Greisen said. "You prepare every week just like the starter. You always know that you are just one play away from being in the game and being a starter. It's important to be ready."

Greisen got that chance as a freshman for the Bearcats in the regular season and as a sophomore in the NCAA Division II playoffs.

Against Missouri Western, Greisen had to go into the game for an injured Greg Teale. Greisen wasted no time making a name for

himself as he lofted a 20-yard scoring pass for his first career collegiate touchdown.

The next season in Greeley, Colo., Teale went down again with an extended injury and Greisen led the team with 114 yards passing in a relief role. Greisen led the 'Cats to a late field goal which seemed to lock up the game. But a late touchdown by Northern Colorado stole the game from the Bearcats.

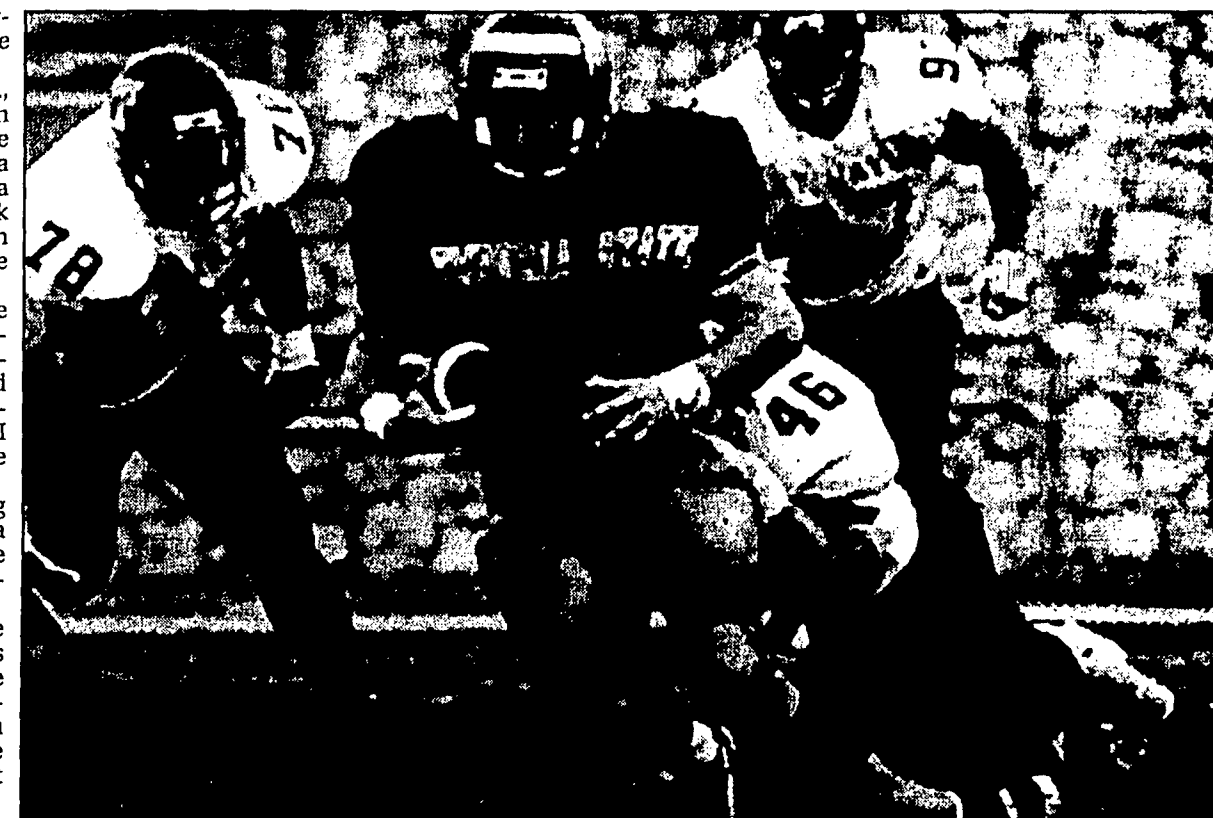
"I had a feeling before the game that I was going to play, so I was prepared mentally for that game," Greisen said. "I was wondering if I could play the game again after not playing for three years at the level I wanted to play at and lead the team."

Greisen took over the starting reins in 1997. He has compiled a record of 22-1 as a starter, but he does not forget to shell out the compliments.

"It's not Chris Greisen leading the Bearcats, when coach brings in guys like Tony Miles, J.R. Hill, Steve Coppinger and all those guys," Greisen said. "The talent around you makes you a better player. We are such great friends that we all want to do better."

It can't get much better for Greisen and the 'Cats except for a national title.

With a victory over Emporia State, the 'Cats will be one step closer to capturing that goal.



Brian Shay, Emporia State senior running back, breaks free for another long run against Fort Hayes. Shay has rushed for more yards than any runner in the history of college football. He has put together 15 200-yard games and scored 86 touchdowns in his career. Shay averages 7.94 yards per carry. He is also the first player in college football to run for more than 1,900 yards in three consecutive seasons. Shay rushed for 2,103 yards in 1996 and 1,912 yards in 1997. Shay was the runner-up for the Harlon Hill trophy last year.

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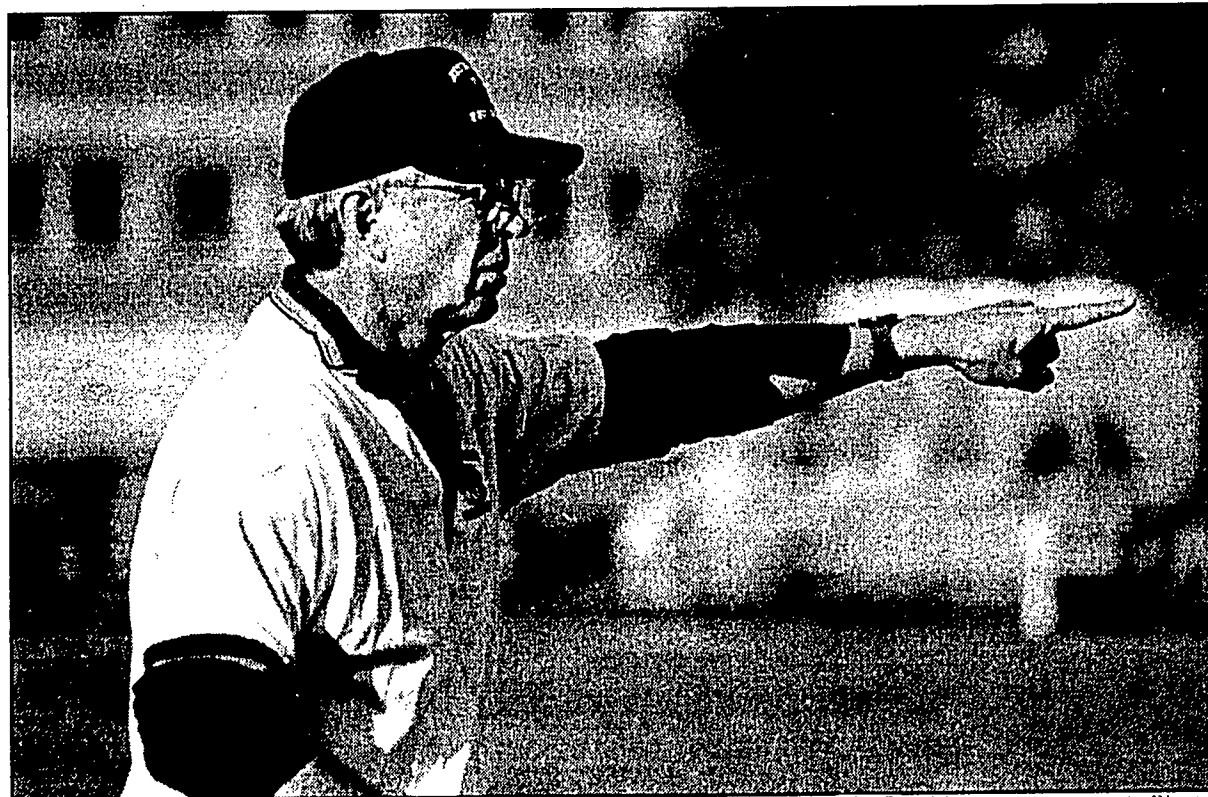


"I've learned that coaching is a process, and you evolve as a coach and you learn."

Mel Tjeerdsma,
Bearcat head football coach

Winning with character

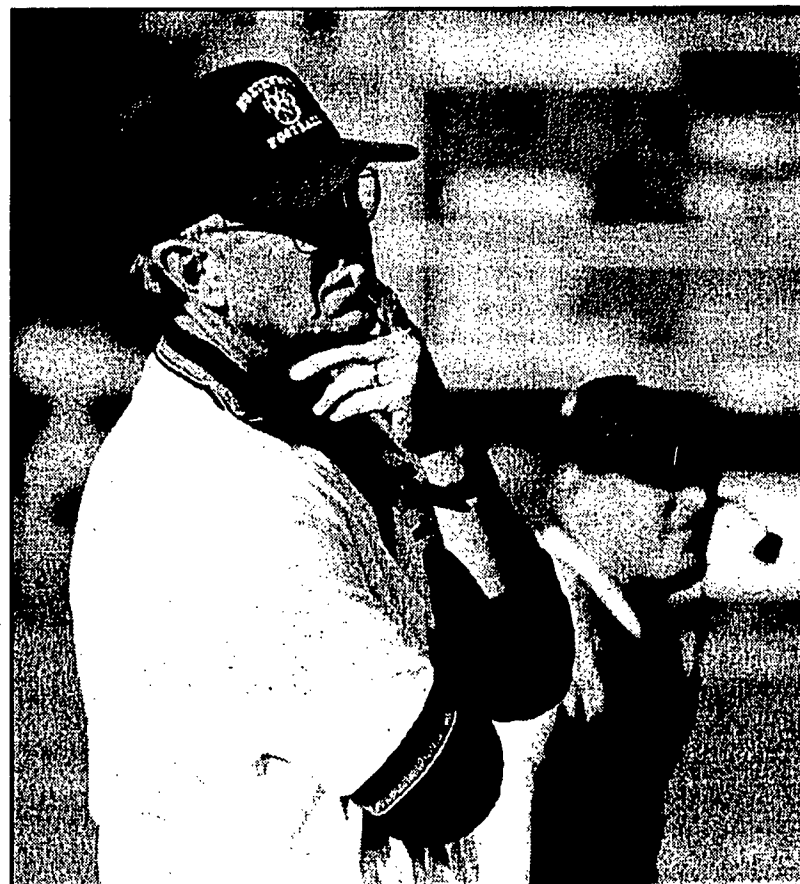
Northwest's head football coach looks to earn his 100th victory



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

Bearcat head coach Mel Tjeerdsma points to one of his players to make sure they are on the same page on a very important play toward the end of the Pittsburg State game. His decision to concede a safety in order to get better field position helped to preserve the Bearcats' lead. Tjeerdsma's leadership and quick decision guided the Bearcats to a nail-biting 23-18 victory against their MIAA-rival Gorillas.

Approaching his 100th victory and a conference championship head coach Mel Tjeerdsma only has one thing on his mind — the game at hand. "Those things are nice and it's nice to have the recognition, but life goes on. There's a lot more important things in my life than 100 wins or a conference championship."



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

Four seasons ago the Bearcat football team finished with a record of 0-11. Since then, the team's head coach has helped shape the team into a national powerhouse, and if Northwest can overcome Emporia State on Saturday, he will earn his 100th career victory.

Mel Tjeerdsma has been coaching for 32 years. His teams have earned conference and national titles. He has earned numerous coaching awards. But when the 'Cats take on the Hornets Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium, it will be just another game, Tjeerdsma said.

"You get up the next day and it's just another day," Tjeerdsma said. "Those things are nice and it's nice to have that recognition, but life goes on. There's a lot more important things in my life than 100 wins or a conference championship. Some people may not believe that, the way we work at it, but there are. It will be special, but there's a lot of special things."

Tjeerdsma has paid very little attention to the mark, but his players know it is a major accomplishment.

"It says a lot for Coach Tjeerdsma," Matt Voge, junior defensive tackle said. "He put together a heck of a staff and he knows what it takes to win. It would be great to get that 100th win for him."

Growing up, Tjeerdsma enjoyed competing, and he became inspired to coach while in high school.

"I loved athletics when I was growing up," Tjeerdsma said. "When I was in high school, we had football, basketball and track, and I was in all three and had the same coach for all three. So that was my motivation."

Tjeerdsma began his coaching career at Denison High School in Iowa in 1966. As head coach of the football team, he guided his team to a 9-0 record in 1975 and a berth in the state playoffs. Tjeerdsma also earned Northwest Iowa Football Coach of the Year honors in 1972.

In 1976, Tjeerdsma became the offensive coordinator at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa. He helped the Red Raiders to the NAIA Division II playoffs four times, including a national championship.

Tjeerdsma came to Northwest in 1994 with 10 years of head coaching experience at Austin College in Sherman, Texas. There, he compiled a record of 60-38-4 and was the school's winningest coach. Tjeerdsma guided his team to three Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association Championships and two trips to the NAIA Division II playoffs.

During his time at Northwest, Tjeerdsma has compiled a record of 39-19-0. He helped the Bearcats to three consecutive MIAA conference championships and last year the 'Cats advanced to the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Division II playoffs for the second straight season.

Aside from the many accomplishments, the opportunity to watch players grow and build relationships is most important to Tjeerdsma.

"You go all the way back in high school and I can remember great players. Not just guys that were great players on the field, but great people," Tjeerdsma said. "I think the exciting thing about that is seeing what they've done with their lives afterwards. Guys that are doctors or lawyers, or guys that are coaches — guys that are making an impact on other people. That's fun to see."

The road for Tjeerdsma has not always been a smooth one. In Tjeerdsma's first season at Northwest, the Bearcats endured an 0-11 season.

"It was difficult because myself and all of our assistants had come out of good programs," Tjeerdsma said. "We were used to being successful, so that part was difficult. But I think what kept me going was our young coaches — their work ethic. We knew we were going to get it turned around. I don't know if any of us thought it would turn around quite as fast as it did and quite as dramatic for what we've done in the last five years to the last three years. That's a pretty drastic turn around. There's a lot of things that helped that."

At the Division II level, very few athletes have the ability to go on to the professional level, but Tjeerdsma said the main goal for his players is to get an education and have a good experience playing football. Since Tjeerdsma began his tenure at Northwest, the football team's grade point average has risen from 2.0 to 2.8.

"Probably more important than wins and losses is what we feel we have accomplished in character," Tjeerdsma said. "That translates into wins and losses. They're good students. If I can feel like in some way we've had a positive affect on these people, then it's worth it."

When Tjeerdsma reaches his 100th win, he won't take all of the credit.

"I think as I look back, I've learned that coaching is a process, and you evolve as a coach and you learn," Tjeerdsma said. "I learn ever learn from our assistants. I learn from our players. I think that's the thing about coaching. I feel like it's a process every day. There's new challenges."



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Highway program cuts back

by Lindsey Corey
News Editor

Estimation errors are forcing the Missouri Department of Transportation to retract its promise made to voters six years ago of a 15-year highway development program.

MoDOT announced Tuesday that its 1992 projected estimates at \$14 billion were \$3.8 billion less than what is needed to finish the hundreds of projects in the original plan.

"There is no need for fingerpointing," Chief Engineer Joe Mickes said. "We know the responsibility rests with the Missouri Department of Transportation."

Currently, only 21 percent of the projects will be completed or contracted by the end of 1999, said Margaret Justus, public affairs manager. Justus said it is inconceivable for the department to complete all the road and bridge projects it had planned.

Despite the problems other areas of the state will have to endure with uncompleted projects, North U.S. Highway 71 will be completed on schedule, Justus said. Funds for the project that began in early March have already been allocated and since construction crews are already well into their contracts, Justus said it is not at risk of being cut. The project will make the route from Maryville to St. Joseph four lanes wide and should be completed by 2002.

"The plan erroneously assumed there would be no inflation in 15 years, and project growth (unexpected costs that develop during construction) would remain at zero," Justus said. "We now realize it's problematic to plan more than five years in advance, because you just don't know what the economy will do."

After the Missouri Highway and Transportation Commission consulted with a Kansas City, Mo., independent accounting and auditing firm, an alternative five-year plan was developed to tackle \$4 billion more in projects on the waiting list.

"The five-year plan is not a solution to Missouri's transportation problems. It is only a plan to live within our means," MHTC chairman S. Lee Kling said. "The commission has made the only rational choice available, which is to move beyond the 15-year plan and get on with a plan that the state can afford."

However, the 1992 promise that every community with a population of 5,000 and above would have a near-by four-lane highway, has been shelved. Voters agreed to pay a tax of up to 6 cents per gallon of gasoline to help fund the various projects. But when MoDOT began to speculate problems in 1994, it realized the intended revenue from gas taxes was not going to last until 2010, but 2008, a \$1.4 billion miscalculation.

Covenant condensed, presented

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

A revised Covenant for Learning draft was proposed in a condensed version Wednesday in the Student Success Task Force meeting.

The covenant, presented earlier this semester to guide incoming Northwest students, was revised by the Northwest Covenant Committee to become more audience-friendly, committee co-chairwoman Pat Lucido said.

After receiving feedback from various groups and individuals on campus, the committee decided to shorten the length of the covenant, Lucido said.

"Student comments and faculty comments said it's too long, it's too much of a checklist and it's too prescriptive," Lucido said. "And then, this way students sit down and write their own themes."

Another change is incoming students will not have to sign the covenant. Instead, they will write their own definition of what they are responsible for as Northwest students.

"As we talked about it in a covenant subcommittee, the issue was not so much of signature, but how do we get students understanding and committing the basic ideas of covenant to really engage in undergraduate experience making their very best could be," Provost Tim Gilmour said. "I feel like the essay is much more effective than signature."

Lucido said the covenants will differ and can change as students stay at Northwest.

"It's part of their portfolio of showing their commitment to the education," Lucido said.

She said the covenant gives students a chance to reflect their commitment to attending the University.

"It's a partnership between the University and a student," Lucido said.

The focus of the covenant remains the same: classroom, studying and class preparation, student development experience, support for learning and physical environment.

The covenant committee will post the new drafts on campus and ask for feedback.

If the new draft is approved by groups such as Student Senate, Faculty Senate and the president's cabinet, the covenant will apply to fall 1999 incoming freshmen as planned.

Still, several questions remain, Gilmour said. One is how to apply the covenant to transfer and distance-learning students and if they should be separated from freshmen.

The Covenant was first initiated by the Student Creed Committee composed of 14 students last semester. February's Quality Classroom Day gathered opinions from various groups on campus.



Jimmy Hill, (left), who will play Jody, talks with Carl, Kevin Sontheimer, in a rehearsal of "Lonely Planet" Wednesday evening. The play focuses on the friendship of Carl and Jody

as they try to cope with an unnamed disease and the death of friends and loved ones with the same affliction. The play begins Friday at 7:30 p.m.

Play provokes awareness

by Kimberly Mansfield
Missourian Reporter

Friendship is an important part of life, but dealing with diverse relationships of the 1990s can often be difficult, especially when the friendship is misunderstood.

"Lonely Planet" is a lab series production directed by Karen Murano, senior theater/speech secondary education major. The University Players will sponsor the event.

The play, written by Steven Dietz, explores friendship in the age of AIDS. It contains sensitive subject matter, including homosexuality and AIDS. However, the words homosexuality and AIDS do not appear in the script.

"I chose to direct this because it's a great script and Steven Dietz addresses many important social issues without directly mentioning them," Murano said.

Murano hopes the play will capture the attention of the audience and force them to evaluate their views.

"It's a play that I hope, when people walk away from it, they will think about the different stereotypes," Murano said.

Jody, played by Jimmy Hill, undecided major, and Carl, played by Kevin Sontheimer, theatre major, are the main characters.

Sontheimer said being in a lab series gives him an opportunity to learn from his peers, and being in the play was a wonderful experience.

"I think the play has an important message, and I wanted to be a part of that," Sontheimer said.

Hill was inspired to audition based on previous productions of the play and seeing how moved the audience was.

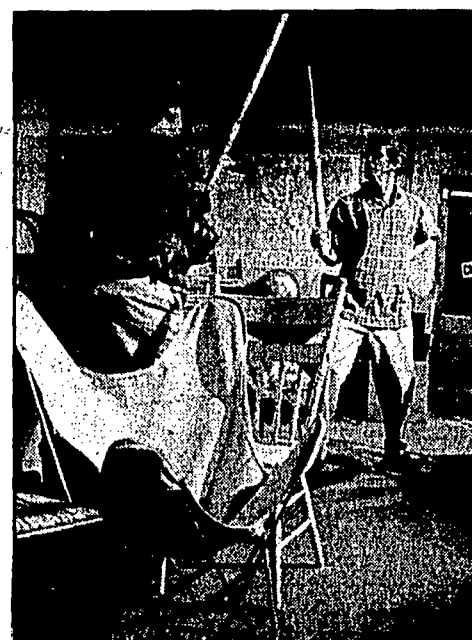
"It says so much without saying anything at all," Hill said.

While the play only has two characters, they have to deal with the death of their friends. Their death is symbolized by the use of chairs on the set.

"All the donated chairs make a point of it," Hill said. "It brings (about) the reality of it all."

The play calls for many chairs to represent the lives of those who have died of AIDS. The University Players have invited anyone who knows someone who died of AIDS to donate a chair to be used in the play. Each loan will be recognized at the performances. For information about donating a chair, contact Jim Glaub at 562-5181.

"Lonely Planet" will be presented Friday and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. in the Mary Linn Performing Arts Center Studio Theater. Tickets cost \$1 at the door and seating is limited to 50.



"Carl" and "Jody" battle out some of their frustrations in a sword fight during "Lonely Planet." As the show progresses, the stage becomes more cluttered with chairs that stand to symbolize the friends they have lost.

Duo discuss HIV, AIDS

"Friendship in the age of AIDS," an Inter-Fraternity Council and Panhellenic Council sponsored program, will feature two speakers Wednesday evening at the Charles Johnson Theater.

T.J. Sullivan and Joel Goldberg will be speaking on AIDS, HIV and safe sex.

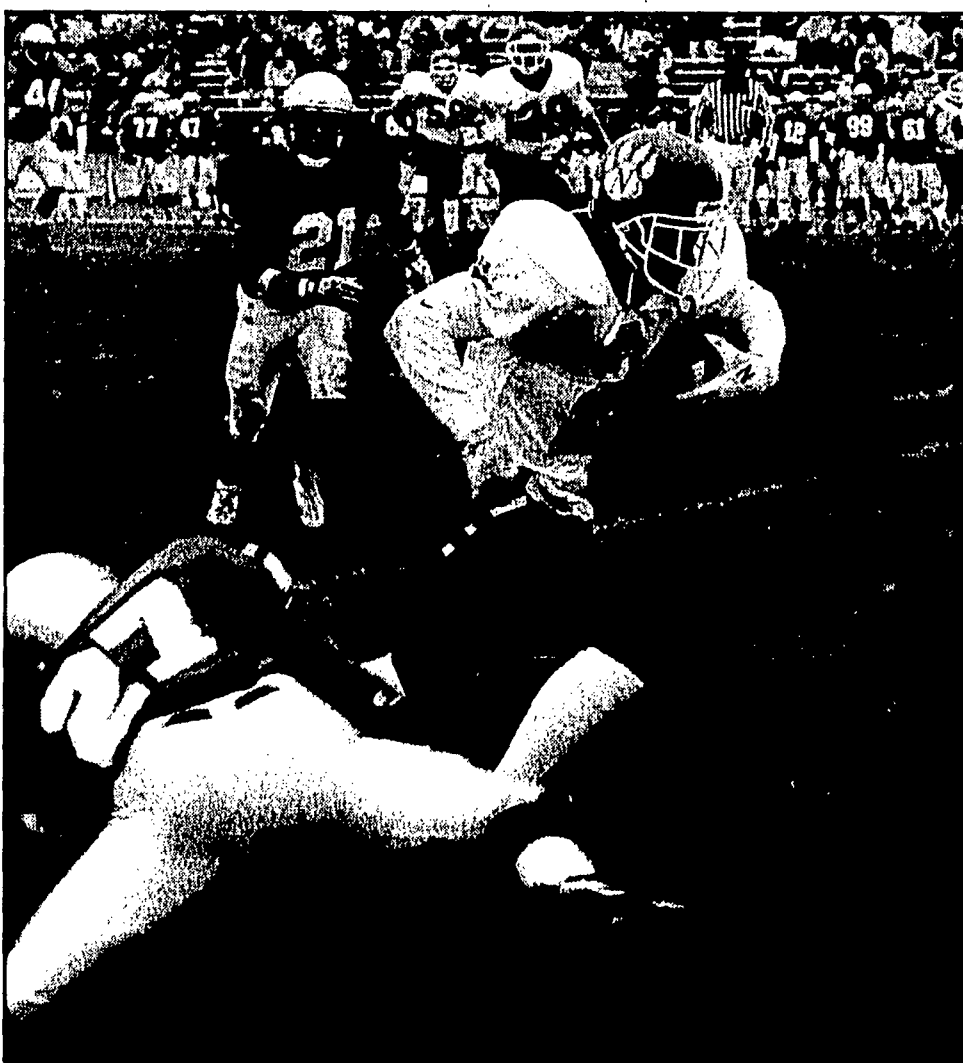
The event, which is free to students, will begin at 7 p.m. The duo spoke last year, and it was a big hit, said Sarah Lovely, corporate and therapeutic recreation major and vice-president of programming for Panhellenic.

"I brought them back because it's a good program," Lovely said. "It makes you think. They have a lot of stories to tell."

Goldberg, who has AIDS, went to college with Sullivan and the two teamed up to heighten people's awareness.

"It's an issue everywhere, especially at college," Lovely said. "It hopefully makes people think and be more protective."

Athletics prepares for competitive weekend



Junior wide receiver Seneca Holmes, No. 2, races for a touchdown against Truman State last Saturday. The 'Cats won the game 34-7, thus clinching a tie for the MIAA conference championship and the Hickory Stick for the third year in a row. The Bearcats face off against Emporia State this Saturday and will try to clinch the title outright.

Football team tries for conference championship, basketball season begins

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

One of the most hectic weekends of the year is fast approaching for Northwest athletics.

The No. 2 ranked Bearcat football team will conclude its regular season against the No. 10 ranked Emporia State Hornets. In addition, the Bearcat spikers will conclude their season and the men's and women's basketball teams will get their seasons underway.

The highlight of the weekend will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium when the Bearcats' and Hornets' high-powered offenses clash.

Northwest features one of the nation's top passers, senior quarterback Chris Greisen, while the Hornets will bring in college football's all-time leading rusher, senior running back Brian Shay.

Northwest head football coach Mel Tjeerdsma said he and his players are looking forward to the challenge of playing against Shay.

"He is a good player and he has had a great career," Tjeerdsma said. "It has been good for the conference, bringing a lot of publicity and notoriety to the league. Brian deserves everything he gets, and we have nothing but respect for him. Playing him is a challenge every year."

The contest will have conference championship and Division II playoff implications as well. The 10-0 Bearcats have already clinched a playoff spot and a share of the MIAA championship. The 9-1 Hornets are still trying to secure a playoff spot, and if they are able to win on Saturday, they will finish with Northwest in a tie for the MIAA title.

The 'Cats claimed a piece of the title Saturday with a win over Truman State, but the team would like to claim it as its own, Tjeerdsma said.

"It means a lot for us," Tjeerdsma said. "It's great for our players. We talked about a three-peat this fall and some people thought we were going out on a limb and taking a chance by talking like that. But it was something our players felt they could accomplish, and there was no doubt Saturday. It is great to get a piece of it, but that is not what we really want. That is what makes this game really important. We don't want any doubts as to who the conference champion is."

Sunday will be a day of anticipation for the football team. The 'Cats will find out who their first-round playoff opponent will be and where the game will be played at the NCAA Division II Playoff Selection Show. It will be shown live via satellite at the Conference Center. The public is invited to join the team for the announcement; the doors of the Conference Center open at 1 p.m.

In addition to football, the volleyball team will close out its regular season this weekend.

The spikers will face Missouri Southern at 7 p.m. Friday in Bearcat Arena. The volleyball team will meet Pittsburg State at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bearcat Arena.

The Bearcats' basketball season will get in full swing this weekend. The women's basketball team will play immediately following the volleyball game.

The women will play their final exhibition game when they face off with the Nebraska All-Stars, led by former Bearcat great Lisa Kenkel-Carlson.

There is basketball action this weekend as well. Bearcat fans can catch the men's basketball season opener at 7:30 p.m. Saturday when the hoopsters face off with Benedictine College as they begin to defend of their MIAA Championship.

Our View

Bearcats, 'Hounds deserve applause

A few years ago, the Spoofhound and Bearcat football teams were worrying about winning one game, let alone going a whole season undefeated.

Fortunately, times have changed.

Although the Spoofhounds ended their season on a sad note Friday night losing to Chillicothe 28-14, they have nothing to hang their heads about.

The 'Hounds thrilled their fans every Friday night for nine weeks, racking up win after win and stopping opponents in their tracks.

And, in the end, the team still managed to thrill its audience by finally meeting up with a formidable foe and fighting the Hornets until the bitter end.

Spoofhounds, congratulations on a wonderful season; we're looking forward to next year.

While the 'Hounds were giving the community something to cheer about on Friday nights, the Bearcats have been the pride of Maryville Saturday afternoons.

A program that was once winless, has achieved back to back to back playoff births under the direction of Mel Tjeerdsma and his gang and is in the process of a making it a three-peat.

The 'Cats deserve all the support they can get, as they take on Emporia State in the last

game of their regular season.

Take the time to go out and root for the 'Cats Saturday afternoon. If the matchup of the two teams isn't enough to get you out there, there will be an even bigger matchup to look for on the field.

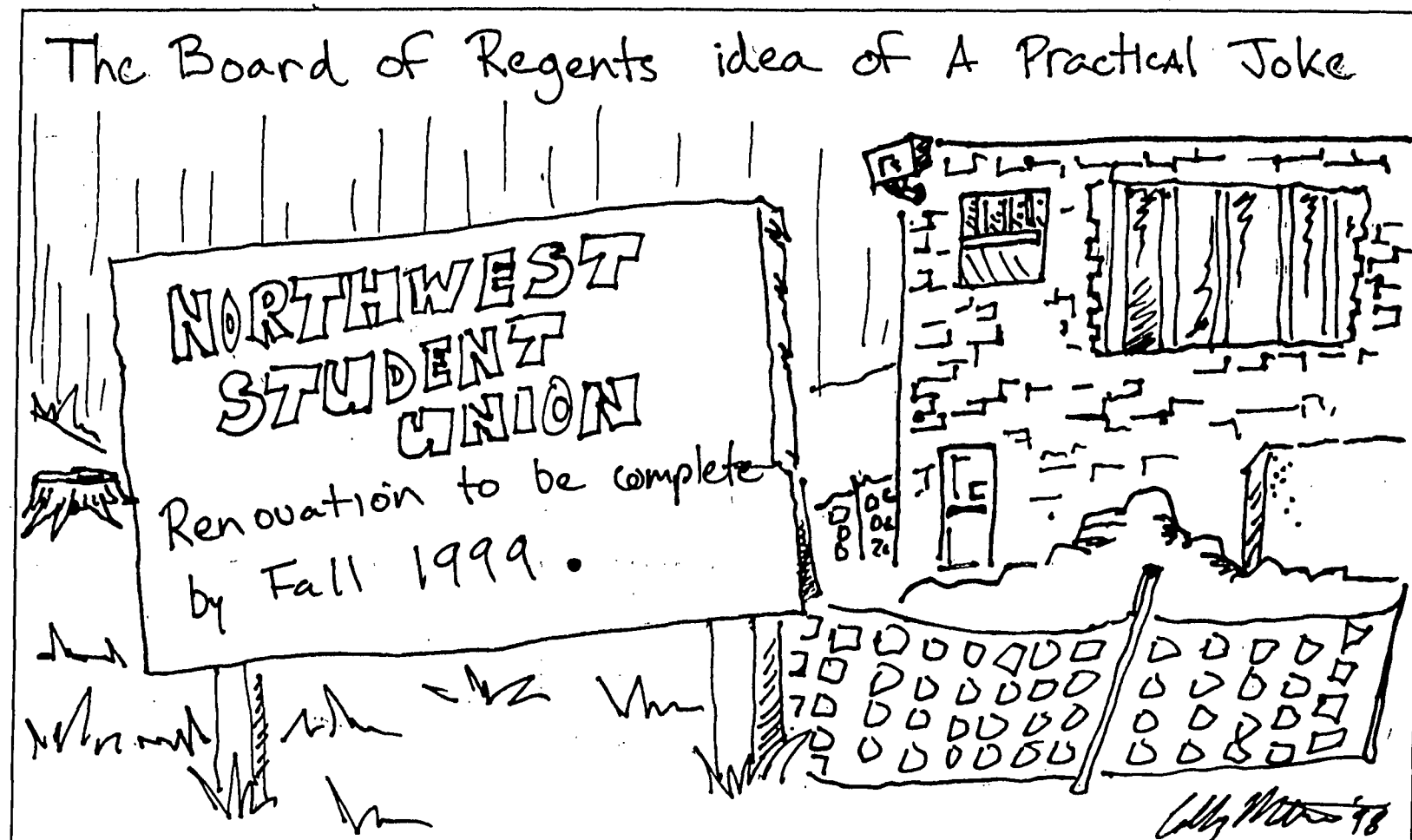
Two of the most acclaimed players in Division II football will play Saturday.

Northwest quarterback Chris Griesen and Emporia State running back Brian Shay, are both candidates for the Harlon Hill Trophy, Division II's equivalent to the Heisman Trophy.

Harlon candidates are nominated by the sports information directors at all of the 152 schools in Division II. The players are nominated if they have distinguished themselves as being among the best players in the NCAA Division II during the current season.

So, if just coming out to watch the Bearcat's, which, don't forget, are No. 2 in the nation, isn't enough to motivate you, then come out and watch two of the most talented players in Division II football battle. With a lot of fan support, the 'Cats might make it to Florence and earn a national championship this year.

The 'Hounds and 'Cats have a lot to be proud of this season. It's not about winning a title that really counts, and we all know that. It's about becoming a community and experiencing the thrills and chills the two teams have given us all year.



Viewpoint

Give thanks all year long, be grateful for loved ones



■ Jealaine Vaccaro

Holidays not only time to compliment, thank special people

I know it sounds crazy, but I love this time of year. It's not the weather that I love or cramming for finals, but it's the holidays I live for.

I love the time of year when the campus turns into a colorful wonderland and the squirrels hurry to prepare for winter. But, I also love Thanksgiving and Christmas, not necessarily the breaks that we receive, but the meanings of those holidays, especially Thanksgiving. But it does not have to be November, nor do you have to be eating turkey, to give thanks.

Sometimes we get so swept up in the idea of a holiday break that we may forget the meaning of a holiday such as Thanksgiving.

We may be working, traveling across the country or just writing that paper that is due the day we get back. Whatever it may be, we may tend to overlook the fact that a special day has been set aside for Americans everywhere, to pause and give thanks. My advice to all of you: it is never too early or too late to give thanks. Heck, you can start today.

Thank your roommate for putting up with you or helping you pay bills. Thank your friends just for being there.

For many of us, we have outside help (financially) with our education, so thank those that help you.

Thank your teachers, advisers, supplemental instructors and other support staff for making sure you succeed. It is never too early or too late to give thanks.

What is great about giving thanks is that no matter what time of year you give it, it is always a welcomed compliment. It is great to see the look on

someone's face when you give thanks to them. It is probably one of the best gifts you could give to anyone else.

Now, I am not trying to be grim, but thank those that you love, for whatever reason, because life goes too fast and tomorrow you may not get that chance.

Smile and give thanks, no matter what time of year it is, eventually giving thanks is going to spread and become a contagious virus that everyone will catch.

So as long as I am in the mood for giving thanks, I might as well get this new trend started.

Thanks to coach Tjeerdsma and our mighty fighting Bearcats for a great season; you guys rock and give the word "spirit" a new meaning.

Thanks to the teachers, advisers and support staff that I deal with on a daily basis. You make my education a lot more pleasing.

Thanks to all of my friends in Senate and Residence Hall Association, it's because of people like you that differences happen on campus.

Thanks to all my friends for being patient, forgiving and loving.

Of course I want to thank my higher power (God) because without him nothing is possible.

But above all, I want to thank my family, mom, dad, Jayna and Jonathan. It's because of my family that I achieve and dare to dream.

Thanks to all of you for reading this article. Now go out and start giving thanks. This is one trend that actually might catch on!

Jealaine Vaccaro is the president of the Residence Hall Association

It's Your Turn

What is your opinion of the NBA strike?



"Everything about it, on both sides, reeks of over-paid baby boys."

Steve Adams, broadcasting major



"There is an NBA strike?"

Kaleb Juhl, journalism major



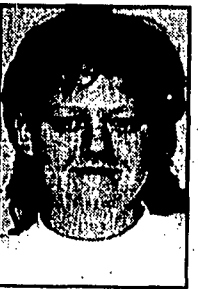
"Let 'em strike."

Jessica Courtney, therapeutic recreation major



"I hope they continue the strike and I hope they all lose their jobs because they don't deserve to play anyways."

Adam Stakey, agriculture science major



"It will ruin the league, just like what happened in baseball."

Brooke Blackford, parks and recreation major

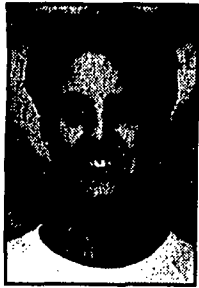


"Unfortunately it's not about how much an individual can make, it's about how much the other individual can make. It's not thousands of dollars, it's millions. Gimme a break."

Al Furner, Sport Shop owner

My Turn

Unfair association rules cheat football squads



■ Jennifer Meyer

district games, regardless of their pre-district records.

I say that's bull sh**.

I do not say that because they lost. I say that because any team with a perfect record deserves a shot at the state title. Any other team would be just as upset if they were 8-0 going into their last district game and eliminated because of the one loss.

As the rules stand, a team that is 0-6 going into district play can win the three district games and still advance to the play-offs. A team with a perfect record can be defeated in one district game and be eliminated. They get cheated.

I could continue describing how I feel about the 'Hounds being cheated, but I won't. I will point out the worst part of this situation: it has happened two years in a row.

I was on the field as the final seconds of the 'Hounds' 1997 season ticked away at Platte County. I saw the pain and tears of frustration and anger from the players because of

the unfairness. I was not there for the last moments of another perfect season. I think that hurt me more than anything.

I was at my parents' house for the weekend, and a few hours before the game was over, I had told my mother I would not be home for Thanksgiving because I was going to St. Louis, Mo. for the state play-offs.

When my roommate called to tell me they lost, I cried. All I could ask was how and why.

There are 55 guys that are going to feel the sting of being cheated every time they think about football. There are 14 guys that will not be able to come back and fight to dissolve that sting next fall.

Nick, Adam O., Norman, Adam J., Jason, Dallas, Mike, John, Dan, Chad, Josh, Russ, D.J. and Chris won't suit up in green, gold and white again. They won't play on their home field again. They won't play for head coach Chuck Lliteras again. They won't have another chance to play for the 3A title again.

Any parents, players or Spoofhound supporters wishing to express their feelings about the 1998 season or the playoff setup can send them to:

Missouri State High School Athletic Association, 1808 Interstate 70 Dr. S.W. P.O. Box 1328, Columbia, Mo. 65205-1328.

Visit the *Missourian Daily* at <http://www.nwmissouri.edu/missourian/> to voice your opinion on the Spoofhound game.

Jennifer Meyer is the photography director for *The Northwest Missourian*.

Letters to the Editor

Alumnus excited

Dear Editor,

I am having a blast visiting your *Missourian Online* web site each week to "feel the pulse" of my alma mater. I do feel strongly compelled to pass along my comments concerning the ongoing achievement of reinventing facilities on the University campus.

I have to say I was literally stunned when I took my first step into the newly renovated Colden Hall during Homecoming weekend.

Having spent most of my academic career in Colden from 1974-1978, this is not the Colden I remembered! I have never seen such a complete and awesome interior transformation of a building. The use of color, geometric forms and focal points provided a dazzling display of rich character, function and unique intimate spaces. The building is an absolutely stunning jewel of a space within a characterless shell.

I ran into University President Dean Hubbard late that afternoon and told him Colden now parallels some of the finest corporate environments you would find in the urban/suburban landscape.

At Hubbard's suggestion, we hung around campus on Homecoming Saturday until after dusk to view the new illuminated International Plaza. After viewing this spectacular display of cultural diversity from every angle (including the reflection off College Pond, which I agree with the president is one of the best) I was beaming with pride for my alma mater.

After setting such a lofty standard with Colden, I wait with child-like enthusiasm to see what magic is in store with the renovations of the Student Union, South Complex,

Garrett-Strong, and President Hubbard said the Fine Arts Building is next! If these transformations are even half as successful as Colden Hall's, they should be spectacular.

I think Colden's renovation and the International Plaza today will have the same dramatic impact the timeless Owens Library had back in the early 1980s, functioning as an important recruiting tool and a source of pride by all students, alumni and visitors.

I have never been more proud of my alma mater and the direction it is headed. I believe the student body, faculty, administrative leadership, International Plaza, Quality Award and, of course, Bearcat sports, collectively will launch Northwest into the next millennium with inspiring, state-of-the-art facilities and environments for higher education surpassing the demands of the 21st century student.

Michael D. O'Halloran
Kansas City, Mo.

View not accurate

Dear Editor,

Although the Cleaver family may not exist in the late 1990s, due process, nonpartisan reporting and thought provoking editorials are not unheard of.

Your editorial on Sept. 24, 1998, begins with a viable point of view, but digresses into creative journalism to support your premise.

On Oct. 15, 1996, when Hillary Clinton spoke on behalf of her husband regarding family values, the Monica Lewinsky encounters had yet to take place. It is not clear when Hillary learned of the affair and it is inaccurate to imply that her views were insincere.

The typical definition of

families may have changed, but family values are not necessarily passé or typical of one particular political party. Your readers would be better served by a thoughtful discussion of the issues involved in the breakdown of the family, rather than a poorly constructed argument suggesting the Clintons are solely responsible for the destruction of honesty, honor, fidelity and justice in today's society.

Paula Hixson-McSweeney
Pickering

Swing returned

To whomever it was that returned my porch swing — thank you! I knew you'd do the right thing. I know a certain 3-year-old who is very happy right now. You should've seen his face light up when he saw it.

I also wanted to take this chance to thank the folks on the grounds crew who helped recover it for me. I owe you a debt of gratitude as well.

Thomas M. Spencer
assistant professor of history, humanities and philosophy

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Library drive meets goal

by Kimberly Mason
Missourian Reporter

The campaign to raise funds for an addition to the Maryville Public Library has been successful according to its Board of Trustees.

The 5,000 square foot addition will be named the Lela Hackney Bell and Charles Robinson Bell Wing, in honor of significant financial contributions from the late Bells' estate.

Carol Zahnd, library trustee co-chairwoman, said the money raised by the library's 2000 campaign will provide space for a larger children's area, customer-friendly stacks, privacy for study and leisure reading, improved restrooms, more reference materials and room for computers.

Campaign funds, in cash, pledges and interest on money previously invested, total \$447,570, according to Ray Schieber, library trustee treasurer.

When the fund-raising campaign began in April, the board's goal was \$400,000.

The Bells both worked as members of the library's board of trustees, Charles from 1948-1958 and Lela from 1958-1967. Each also served as president of the board during their tenures.



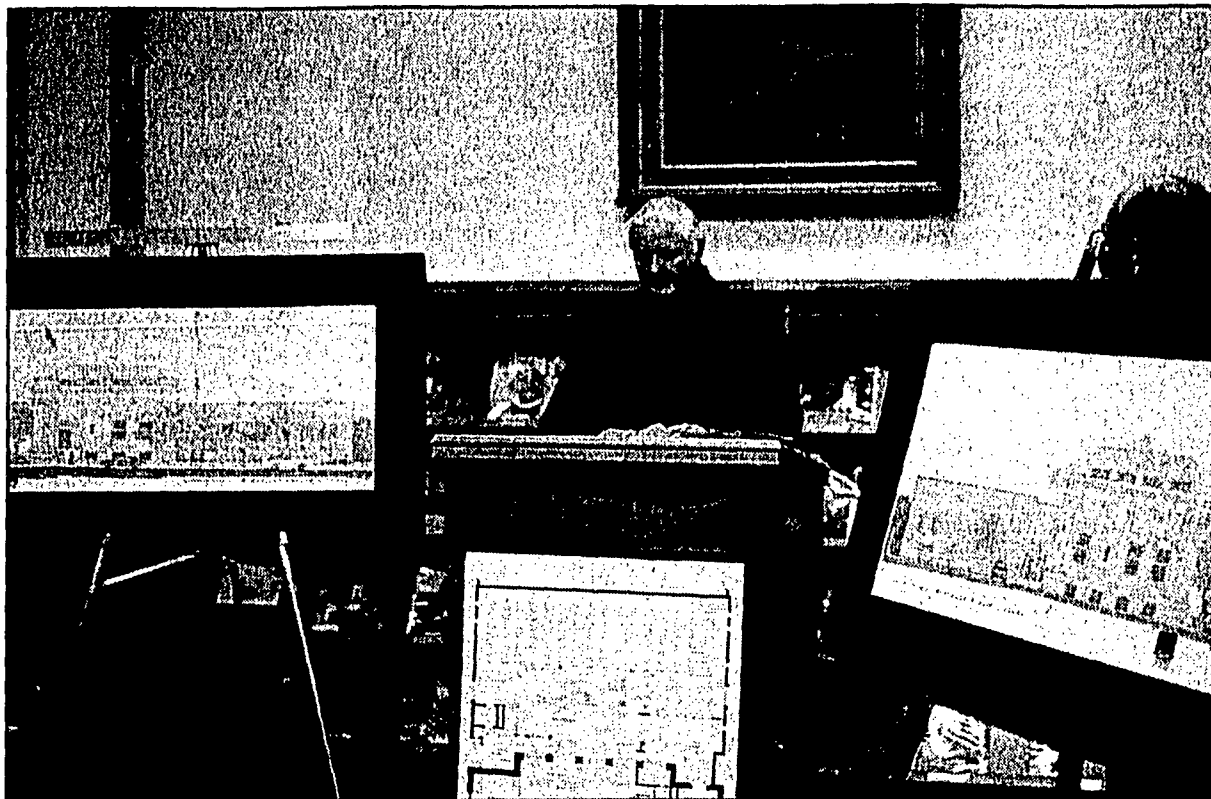
■ Charles Robinson Bell and Lela Hackney Bell

The Bells' daughters, Rebecca Bell and Madelyn Bell-Ewing, also donated to the library's 2000 project.

"We're delighted to have the new wing named after our parents," Rebecca said.

Rebecca said she remembers how important the library was to both her and her sister growing up in Maryville.

"In those days, reading was one of the only ways to have any knowledge of the outside world," she said.



After announcing the new name of the library wing, Rebecca Bell, of New York, daughter of the late Lela Hackney Bell and Charles Robinson Bell, expressed her family's appreciation to the city of Maryville. The Library 2000 campaign announced that the \$400,000 goal was met by 345 pledges, gifts, contributors and grants.

Allina Bostic/Missourian Photographer

Rebecca said the library is keeping pace with technology and the new addition will "encourage use by the whole community."

Library director Diane Houston also said the addition will take the library into the 21st century.

"All of us who have used the library or have been associated with

it in some way will reap the benefits," Houston said.

Mayor Bridget Brown commented on the improvement to the "quality of life" the library's addition will make.

"This is a monument to both the past and the present, but certainly a monument to the future of this com-

munity," she said.

Construction bids for the addition were taken Tuesday and should be in by mid-December, Houston said.

If the weather permits, construction will begin before the end of this year and the addition should be complete by January 2000.

Cable agrees on contract

by Toru Yamauchi
Senior Reporter

Classic Cable and Maryville agreed on the conditions of the franchise extension last week after more than two years of disputes, City Manager David Angerer said during the City Council meeting Monday.

Classic President Steven Seach called Angerer and agreed to pay a \$250,000 construction bond, only if Classic does not fulfil its promise to build the new cable lines, Angerer said. The deadline to build new lines is approximately two years.

Seach agreed to pay a \$20,000 performance bond and \$200 a day fine if Classic does not operate in an appropriate manner, as outlined by the contract until it begins operating correctly, Angerer said.

However, the new contract to extend Classic's franchise in Maryville for 15 years has not been signed by both sides, Angerer said. Currently, Classic is writing the contract, and Maryville's attorney, hired for this dispute, will look at the contract. The contract will probably be signed in December by the City Council, Angerer said.

The deadline to begin an administrative hearing is Dec. 14 if Classic does not continue the negotiations, Angerer said.

"Chances are we will never have to do that if everybody continues to agree," Angerer said. "But if they don't, before you just kick somebody out of town, they have to have a right to due process."

By April 1999, Classic will have a complete engineering blueprint, Angerer said. Although it is a step in the right direction, Angerer said he is not fully satisfied because a "verbal agreement is not binding."

If the contract is signed, the new cable system will have more channels and a better quality picture and could be used for data transmission and Internet lines, Angerer said.

Mayor Bridget Brown said she is satisfied with the city's effort to receive the best kind of cable system, but she pointed out that the contract has not been signed.

"We're pleased with the extensive efforts that we've gone through to secure the right kind of services in the community," Brown said. "At least to the best of our ability by law, we're certainly taking advantage of every opportunity that we have."

Meanwhile, the Council passed another monthly based contract with Classic until Dec. 19.

The Council also passed a plan aimed at developing South Main Street to provide pedestrian mobility and solve traffic problems.

The Council also chose committee members for asphalt and concrete curb and gutter street improvements. Four residents, Jerry Dew, Kelly Freudensprung, Duane Hersh and Marlin Slagle, were selected as the members along with Councilman Mike Thompson, city staff and engineers.

This is a short-term committee to address specific issues, and it will assist the city staff in making recommendations to the Council, Brown said.

The Council also passed an ordinance to impose a one-eighth of 1 percent city sales tax to help parks and recreations. Voters passed the ordinance in the Nov. 3 election and will be effective in April 1999.

Hubbard honored with award

by Heather Butler
Features Editor

The Excellence in Missouri Foundation has recognized and rewarded Northwest once again for its dedication and commitment to quality.

University President Dean Hubbard was awarded the Governor's Quality Leadership Award by Gov. Mel Carnahan and 1997 recipient Sister Mary Jean Ryan Thursday in Jefferson City.

"The nominees for the 1998 Governor's Quality Leadership Award were highly competitive this year," Ryan said. "The selection process proved to be very difficult."

The Governor's Quality Leadership Award annually recognizes the individual who best exemplifies outstanding leadership and has done the most to further performance improvement in the state of Missouri, according to the Foundation. The recipient of the award must be dedicated to the principles of quality and committed to the core values of the Missouri Quality Award program.

"We must work to surpass what is ordinary and acceptable if we are to achieve what is extraordinary and remarkable," Carnahan said.

Hubbard has a history of promoting quality throughout his 14-year career at Northwest. He developed the Culture of Quality plan for Northwest in 1984.

"His program has been recognized nationally as one of the most comprehensive plans to reform undergraduate education," Ryan said. "This renowned Culture of Quality program has



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

Governor Mel Carnahan presents University President Dean Hubbard with the Governor's Quality Leadership Award. This award honors Hubbard individually for his leadership in promoting quality across Missouri.

brought about a focused state investment of \$3 million for his school."

Hubbard's effort to make Northwest a quality university did not stop there. In 1997 Hubbard helped reallocate \$3.3 million through restructuring instruction and administration. Hubbard also elevated the amount of Northwest's budget dedicated to instruction to 60 percent.

Although Hubbard has accomplished so much for the University, he was shocked when they announced his name.

"It isn't very often that a university president flounders for words,"

Hubbard said. "This really is a remarkable honor."

Hubbard shared his award and commitment to quality with the faculty, administration and students of Northwest.

"This is not a solo operation," Hubbard said. "Quality is a team effort and we would not have achieved what has been achieved at Northwest Missouri State University if I was the only one at that institution committed to quality. The students have taken hold of this idea and pushed it forward until what sometimes you see as inertia is normal to them."

Quality Award prized year later

by Angela Patton
Missourian Reporter

A change in attitude marks the one-year anniversary of Northwest's Missouri Quality Award.

"Receiving the award proved to all of us that we are a quality institution," said Angel McAdams, Student Senate president. "I think it sets us apart from other institutions and will challenge us to strive for bigger and better things."

Graduate Dean Frances Shipley said the award has been a "good morale booster for every one employed by the University." But she also said Northwest must continue to "maintain the level of quality."

"This 'commitment to quality' has attracted a number of potential students to Northwest."

"While giving tours of the campus, many perspective students and their parents comment on how Northwest's dedication to quality and its receiving the Missouri Quality Award sparked their interest," Student Ambassador Mendy Wilson said. "It definitely serves as a drawing mechanism for University recruitment."

Provost Tim Gilmour said the award will be a contributing factor in increasing the quality of academics at Northwest, providing a better service to the area and increasing the application of information technology.

Gilmour also said the Missouri Quality Award will continue to provide "confidence for faculty and staff and a sense of pride in that we have a real role to play in education."

Organization promotes awareness

by Richard Hubble
Missourian Reporter

Student Affairs and the Chemical Abuse Resources and Education organization are teaming up to raise awareness about alcohol abuse on Friday.

Events include a mock car accident followed by a teleconference addressing alcohol abuse and violence.

CARE President Nitin Goil said the accident will be set up shortly before 11 a.m. near South Complex and will portray the possible effects of driving while intoxicated. He said CARE members, Campus Safety, the Fire Department and theater department actors will be involved.

"A lot of people are visual learners," Goil said. "When they see a thing, they really know this can happen to us."

Goil said information will be provided after the mock crash and people will be encouraged to attend the teleconference from noon to 2 p.m. in the Conference Center.

The conference, with a national audience, will deal with many issues of alcohol abuse at colleges and universities, including underage drinking, binge drinking and the correlation between drinking and violence.

"Northwest, as a University, recognizes the value of a conference like this," said Carol Cowles, assistant vice president for Student Affairs.

This is the first teleconference on alcohol-related topics at Northwest. Cowles said it is a chance for students to ask questions and voice concerns to be heard throughout the country. Cowles said Northwest is one of almost 300 conference sites.

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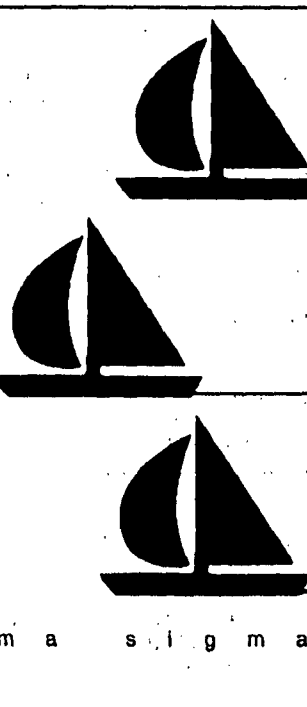
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Volunteers escort students

by Ted Place

Missourian Reporter

Two Northwest organizations are asking for help to prevent violence. Rape Is Going To Have To Stop and Campus Safety have teamed up to start a campus-wide nightly escort service for students.

"We want to make people aware of what can happen on this campus," RIGHTS co-adviser Tess Narcisco said. "Just because Maryville is not a big city doesn't mean bad things can't happen."

The program enlists volunteers to walk students from any campus des-

tinuation three hours a week.

Teams of students, one male and one female, will be available from 10 p.m. until 1 a.m. every day. The volunteers will be equipped with two-way radio communication linked to Campus Safety. They will also wear armbands for easy identification.

Volunteers will be required to go through a background check. So far, 76 applications have been turned in.

"People should make a habit of using this service," Narcisco said. "It's free, it's easy, there's no reason not to."

Training for escort volunteers was

recently conducted to prepare students for any encounters they may have while escorting. Campus Safety officials spoke to the volunteers about safe routes, obligations and how to use radio equipment.

"Right now we do about 35 escorts a month," said Campus Safety director Clarence Green. "Hopefully, now that peers are involved we will do a lot more."

To volunteer, contact Narcisco at 562-5056, Campus Safety at 562-1254 or sign up in the counseling center in Wells Hall, room 120.

Escorts are scheduled to begin Monday and can be arranged

through Campus Safety or by inquiring with volunteers in the library.

Another safety precaution Northwest is taking is additional lighting on campus. Students' concerns have led to the addition of 71 lights to be installed within the next two years.

"The new lights should make students feel safer and they will definitely make our jobs easier," Green said. "People are far less likely to try anything when an area is well lighted."

Fifteen lights were installed this summer in the vicinity of the Bell Tower leaving 56 more to be installed in the future.

Parking fees may increase

by Kyle Worthington

Assistant Copy Editor

Northwest students, faculty and staff may have to brace themselves against sticker shock next fall if a proposed increase in parking permit fees is approved by the Board of Regents early next year.

Parking permits currently cost \$55, but, under the proposal, will rise to \$70 for the 1999-2000 school year. Motorcycle permits will go from \$25 to \$40.

Under the proposal, parking tags for both vehicles will continue to climb \$15 each school year until capping off at a projected \$100 per permit beginning the fall trimester of 2001.

"We've got to work up to

this \$100 over the next three years so it's not such a huge increase for all of us," said Ray Courter, vice president for finance and support services. "Once we're at the \$100, and once we have enough revenue generated to pay off the debt, for right now, I don't foresee any need beyond that. But no one can predict, in four years or five years, what our perception of parking will be at that time."

Courter estimates \$6 million will be needed to pay off the 10-year, \$4 million loan needed to improve parking and relocate the dairy facilities to the University's north farm.

The money generated from the parking fee increases will go toward repaying the loan.

Students wish upon a STAR

■ Recruitment program sends information home

by Stephanie Clarkin

Missourian Reporter

A number of Northwest students have showed interest in becoming a STAR.

Student Trained Advocates for Recruitment enables students to go back to their former high schools and speak about their experiences at Northwest.

"The purpose of STAR is to get the word of Northwest out," said Evan Polly, admissions graduate assistant. "A lot of our students are optimistic and had a great time at Northwest, and we just want them to have the opportunity to share them with their alma mater."

Students involved in this organization came from Residential Life, peer advisory and 160 other campus organizations.

"We would like to see people from all different walks of life be involved with STAR," said Shari Schneider, associate director of admissions. "STAR is another way for students to get involvement in recruitment. We would also like to see the STAR program as a minor league team for Student Ambassadors."

Admissions will aid students who volunteer by giving them facts, figures and statistics about Northwest. The volunteers are encouraged to provide a personal side of their experience at Northwest to high school students.

"We have had a surprisingly huge response," Polly said.

Students have volunteered to speak at high-schools from Kansas City, Mo., and Omaha, Neb., as well as smaller hometowns. Volunteers will be given a free Northwest T-shirt.

For more information contact Polly in the Mabel Cook at 562-1562.

Multi-talented



Sarah Philps/Online Photography Director

Laura Widmer, student publications adviser, won the Multimedia Adviser of the Year Award last weekend at the College Media Association/Associated Collegiate Press annual conference in Kansas City, Mo. Widmer was nominated by students because of her desire to be the first public university to produce a CD-Rom supplement to the yearbook. *Missourian Daily Online* won a Best of College Press Network Award of Excellence for 1998. *Tower's* 1998 "Chaos Unfolding" yearbook won the fourth place Best of Show Award and its 1997 "Stages" book was a Pacemaker Award recipient. Amy Roh was awarded first place for sports photography.

In Brief

Sorority celebrates

Northwest's Phi Phi chapter of Alpha Sigma Alpha is celebrating its 70th anniversary with a luncheon for alumni and active members at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Conference Center.

The Phi Phi chapter was founded at Northwest in 1928 and the social sorority has recently grown to 102 active members.

Baby-sitting taught

The Northwest Missouri Chapter of American Red Cross will sponsor a baby-sitting clinic from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday at United Electric Services.

Students age 11 to 15 will learn emergency techniques, infant and child cardio pulmonary resuscitation and first aid.

For more information or to pre-register call 582-8160.

Blood drive today

The Maryville Chapter of Business and Professional Women is sponsoring a blood drive from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. today in the Fellowship Hall of First United Methodist Church, 102 N. Main St.

For more information or to sign up, call Shirley Miller at 582-4031.

Usernames invalid

After Dec. 15, old Northwest usernames will be invalid as e-mail addresses because the University's new computer system requires at least one letter in usernames.

The system was changed over the summer, and students were given a grace period to notify others of their new address. E-mail sent to old addresses has been automatically transferred to new e-mail accounts. If someone sends e-mail to an old address after the transfer is terminated, the sender will get a message saying they e-mailed an incorrect address.

D.A.R.E. offers dance

The annual seventh and eighth-grade D.A.R.E. dance will be from 7 to 9 p.m. Friday in St. Gregory's school gym, 315 S. Davis St. Admission to the dance is \$1.

Members initiated

Pi Omega Pi initiated eight new members Oct. 19. Pi Omega Pi is the national business teacher education honor society.

The new members include Jubilee Schley, Joshua Smith, Christy Allen, Terri Auffert, Marilyn Hamm, Leslie Dickherber, Brett Dickerson

and Michael Still.

To be eligible for membership a student must have at least sophomore status or above and completed 15 hours in business and/or education, have a 3.0 GPA in those courses and be a business education major or minor.

Diving club to meet

The Northwest Missouri Chapter of American Red Cross will play host to a meeting for the Explorer Post Scuba Diving Crew at 5 p.m. today at the First United Methodist Church, room 205, 102 N. Main St.

The program is open to individuals age 14 to 21 interested in scuba diving as a career or hobby. For more information call 582-8160.

Chamber hearing set

Former Driver's License Bureau employee Sandra Sue Sanders, 55, of Maryville, filed an age-discrimination, sexual harassment and retaliation suit against the Chamber of

Commerce in August 1996. The hearing to set a trial date is scheduled for Dec. 7 in Division I of the Circuit Court in Nodaway County.

Sanders worked for nearly five years before being fired in August 1995, according to the suit.

The bureau is one of the chamber's offices. Her suit seeks \$50,000 and reinstatement under the Missouri Human Rights Act and other state statutes.

Lasers lead to arrest

Maryville Public Safety recently arrested five Maryville male juveniles after reports of a laser being shone through windows.

A Maryville male reported a red dot shown on him while sitting in his house. He believed it was either a laser aim point from a weapon or from a laser pointer used in lectures. He gave Public Safety the license plate number of the car the light came from.

The cases were referred to the juvenile officer.

Laser pens sell for around \$18 at

Wal-Mart and are locked in a case in the jewelry section. According to Support Manager Ben Blackford, Wal-Mart is requiring every customer purchasing a pen to be at least 18 years old.

Governor seeks seat

Gov. Mel Carnahan, D-Mo., announced that he will run in the 2000 elections for the U.S. Senate seat held by John Ashcroft, R-Mo., last week.

Workers paint homes

St. Francis Hospital's Home Health and Hospice workers will paint the interior of three homes Saturday.

"Our goal is to give back to the community by assisting these needy homeowners by making their homes and communities a better place to live," said Debbie Herring, Home Health director.

St. Francis volunteers will paint and members of the community will provide painting supplies.

Mozingo earns grant

Maryville was awarded a grant for the creation of two trails at Mozingo Lake.

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources awarded the National Recreational Trails Fund grant for a 1.3 mile multipurpose woodchip trail.

The trail will be located on the southwest side of Mozingo Lake and will feature two wooden bridges.

The total projected value of the grant, written by the Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, was \$100,704, of which the city will be awarded \$49,345.

Wonderland set up

Maryville residents and Northwest students are invited to help set up the annual Winter Wonderland. Setup will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at Franklin Park. Hot chocolate will be served.

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Public Safety

Monday, Nov. 2

■ Michelle M. Krambeck, Maryville and Andrew T. Mackey, Maryville, were southbound on South Main Street. Mackey stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Krambeck. Krambeck received a citation for failure to exercise the highest degree of care.

Tuesday, Nov. 3

■ A summons was issued to Ronald Koehler, 51, Maryville, for a weed and grass violation following complaints on properties in the 200 block of West Second Street.

■ A municipal court warrant for failure to appear was served on John A. Pritchett, 29, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ A municipal court warrant for failure to appear was served on James R. Sampson, 19, Maryville. He was released after posting bond.

■ Gene Wooten, Maryville, was parked on Fifth Street east of Water Street. His vehicle was struck by another vehicle which then left the scene.

■ Aaron B. Phares, Maryville, and Maria N. Newquist, Maryville, were northbound on North Main Street. Newquist was stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Phares. Phares received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

Thursday, Nov. 5

■ An officer took a report of the theft of Chevrolet emblems from vehicles parked in the 200 block of East Second Street. Estimated loss is \$105.

■ Christopher L. Sticken, 20, Maryville, was arrested on an Armed Forces warrant. He is being held for the United States Army.

■ Janet M. Meier, Maryville, pulled away from a stop sign on South Main Street, north of South Avenue and struck Clarence Beason, Maryville, northbound on South Main Street. Meier received a citation for failure to yield.

Friday, Nov. 6

■ An officer in the 300 block of North Market Street observed a northbound vehicle without its headlights on. The vehicle was stopped and the driver was identified as Robert J. Henry, 22, Maryville. While talking with him,

an odor of intoxicants was detected. He was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests and his blood alcohol content tested over the legal limit. He was also issued a citation for operating a motor vehicle with no lights after dark.

■ A Columbia female reported she had lost a ring in the 100 block of East First Street. She described the ring as a white gold band with a Lily of the Valley setting containing nine small diamonds and one large diamond in a flower-like arrangement. Estimated loss value is \$500 to \$1,500.

■ Officers arrested Richard W. Allen, 35, Maryville, on a warrant for violation of parole. He is being held for probation and parole.

■ A bicycle was recovered from the 100 block of West Third Street.

■ Amy R. Allen, Maryville, and Jeremy Baumli, Maryville, were northbound on North Main Street. Allen stopped in traffic and was struck from behind by Baumli. Baumli received a citation for careless and imprudent driving.

Saturday, Nov. 7

■ A fire unit responded to a local care facility on a fire alarm being activated. Upon investigation no fire or smoke was found. It was believed the alarm was activated by a light ballast.

■ A local business reported three male subjects had left without paying for \$16.18 worth of gasoline.

■ A Maryville male reported the front window of his residence had been broken out. Upon investigation, it is believed a bottle was thrown through the window, causing the damage.

■ Johann L. Nigh, Maryville, was stopped at a posted stop sign at the intersection of Market and Edwards streets and could not see around parked cars. Nigh thought it was clear and proceeded into the intersection, striking Kenneth E. Townsend, Maryville, eastbound on Edwards Street. Nigh received a citation for failure to yield.

Sunday, Nov. 8

■ An officer observed two subjects in the 300 block of North Main Street he believed to be fighting. Contact was made with the subjects and after talking to them and witnesses, the following arrests were

made: Byron P. Dragoo, 21, Burlington Junction, for disorderly conduct-affray; Gregory E. Sewell, 21, Maryville, for disorderly conduct-affray. During this time, another male subject, identified as Edward W. Baker, 22, Maryville, was asked several times to leave the area. After he refused, he was arrested for disorderly conduct and during the arrest procedure, a green leafy substance was found in his possession. He was also issued a summons for possession of a controlled substance. All were released after posting bond.

■ A Maryville male reported the theft of a portable dog box from the side of his residence. He described it as the top half being light blue and the bottom half dark blue. It is made out of plastic or fiberglass material. Estimated loss value is \$80.

Campus Safety

Sunday, Oct. 25

■ Two students were issued summonses for inappropriate behavior while at Rickenbrode Stadium.

Wednesday, Oct. 28

■ An officer investigated a report of a gun in a vehicle in the parking lot behind the Agriculture Mechanics Building. The gun was seized and the student was issued a summons to the vice president of Student Affairs for possession of a weapon on campus.

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Phillips Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

Thursday, Oct. 29

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Douglas Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

■ A student reported damage to their vehicle while it was in the parking lot behind Perrin Hall. An investigation was initiated.

■ An officer investigated a vehicle accident in the parking lot located on Ninth Street.

■ A student reported the theft of bicycle parts from the Franken Hall bike rack. An investigation was initiated.

Friday, Oct. 30

■ An officer investigated a report of improper solicitation on campus. Nicole Wilson and Rebecca Mahurin were contacted and were

given the proper procedures for soliciting on campus and were escorted off campus.

Sunday, Nov. 1

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Roberta Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

Monday, Nov. 2

■ An officer investigated a water problem on the third floor of Hudson Hall. The water leak was passed on to the plumbing department and the problem was corrected.

■ A student reported their vehicle was scratched while parked in the lower lot behind Hudson Hall. An investigation was initiated.

■ An officer responded to a medical emergency in the Conference Center. The patient was evaluated and transported to St. Francis Hospital.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle in the 800 block of North Walnut Street for a traffic violation. The driver submitted to field sobriety tests and was arrested for driving while intoxicated and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Tuesday, Nov. 3

■ An officer assisted Maryville Public Safety in the arrest of a student from Dieterich Hall for failure to appear in court.

Friday, Nov. 6

■ Officers investigated a fire alarm in Dieterich Hall. The alarm was unfounded.

■ An officer stopped a vehicle on Northwest Drive for a traffic violation. The driver submitted to field sobriety tests and was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

■ A student reported the theft of a decoration item from their vehicle while it was parked behind Perrin and Roberta halls. An investigation was initiated.

Saturday, Nov. 7

■ An officer responded to an accident at the Student Union circle drive. The driver was identified as Jimmie Wiggins and was arrested for driving while intoxicated after he could not successfully complete field sobriety tests. He was also issued citations for resisting arrest by flight and carrying concealed weapons.

Sunday, Nov. 8

■ A student reported the theft of a bicycle from the bike rack in front of



Mike Ranadelli/Assistant Photography Director
World War II veteran and former Maryville mayor Vilas Young addresses citizens at the courthouse Wednesday for Veteran's Day. Young's speech was followed by a firing squad salute led by VFW 442 past Commander Kenneth Still and current Commander Curtis Coffelt.

New Arrivals

Amanda Nicole Frueh

Charles and Tina Frueh, Conception Junction, are the parents of Amanda Nicole, born Nov. 4 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed seven pounds, two ounces.

Grandparents are Bill and Bernice Stephenson, Ravenwood, and Bernard and Margaret Frueh, Maryville.

Coltin Reid Dorrell

Donna Whitehead and Jimmy Dorrell, Maryville, are the parents of Coltin Reid, born Nov. 6 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

He weighed eight pounds, six ounces.

Grandparents are Ann Whitehead, Middletown; David Whitehead, Wellsville; Kathy McCollum, Brookfield; and Douglas Dorrell, Excello.

Great-grandparents are Clifford and Loucille Maupin, Montgomery City; Jack and Fern Whitehead, Wellsville; Jim and Betty Livingston, Brookfield and Delbert and Loretta Dorrell, Calloo.

Sydney Anne Snow

Mark and Sara Snow, Maryville, are the parents of Sydney Anne, born Nov. 7 at St. Francis Hospital in Maryville.

She weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces, and joins one brother, Alex.

Grandparents are Chuck and Judy Parietti, Maryville, and Derrel and Anne Snow, Maryville. Great-grandparents are Charles Stepp, Maryville, and Amelia Parietti, Mechanieville, N.Y.

Obituaries

Margaret Alexander

Margaret R. Alexander, 77, Hopkins, died Nov. 5 at Heartland Regional Medical Center-East, St. Joseph.

She was born July 9, 1921, to Charles and Elizabeth Thompson in Hopkins.

Survivors include her husband, Robert; two sons, Stephen and David; two daughters, Kristen Guthrie and Michele Weddle; one sister, Mary Kral; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Saturday at the First Christian church in Hopkins. Burial was at Hopkins Cemetery.

John Hopper

John Edward Hopper, 61, Maryville, died Nov. 2 at his home.

He was born April 27, 1937 to Edward and Alice Hopper in Paris, Ill.

Survivors include his companion, Patrick Thompson; two sons, John and Charlie; mother, Alice Kelsheimer and one brother David.

Services were Friday at the Price Funeral Home Chapel in Maryville. Burial was at the Miriam Cemetery in Maryville.



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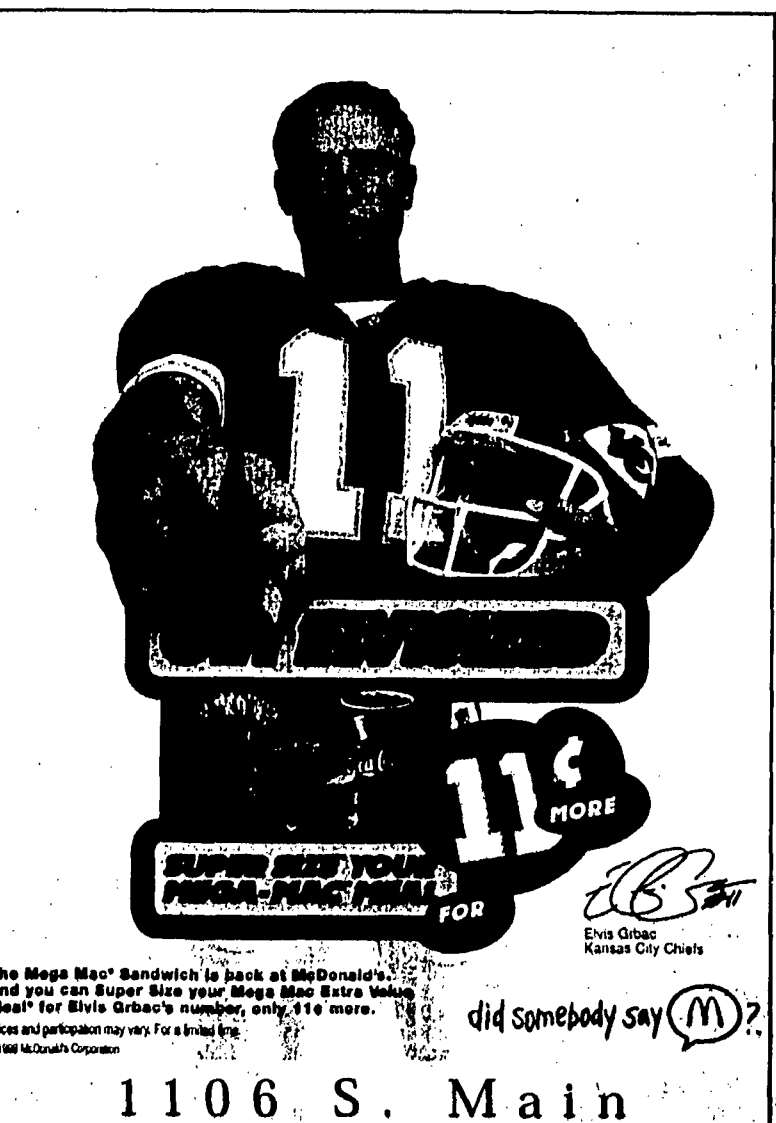
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Bearcats set to take MIAA

by Colin McDonough
Contributing Reporter

Two seasons ago, the Bearcat football team played host to the Pittsburg State Gorillas with an undisputed conference title on the line in Rickenbrode Stadium.

The Gorillas routed the Bearcats, 40-0, in the season finale and the MIAA had to put two names on the trophy.

Now two years to the day, the Emporia State Hornets will invade the Bearcats' territory with a conference title on the line.

Alan Buckwalter, junior defensive end, said the 'Cats have a motto for this contest.

"No-co," Buckwalter said. "As in, no co-championship. We've been saying that all week in practice."

Although the Bearcats won a share of the title with a 41-7 triumph over Truman State Saturday, the 'Cats are in no mood to share another one, head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said.

"It's a similar situation (to Pittsburg State) but this is a lot different football team now," Tjeerdsma said. "Back then, we were thrilled to be where we were. This year, we are happy to be a part of it, but it is not at all where we want to be."

Junior punter Jeff LeBlanc said

Saturday's motivation speech will not be too hard.

"We don't want to be co-champs," LeBlanc said. "We've got a lot to gain with a win, and there will be a big crowd. We'll be ready to play."

Two seasons ago, the Bearcats felt the pressure of the big game, but since the Bearcats are already in the playoffs and Emporia is not, the pressure is squarely on the Hornets.

"There is not pressure on us, because if we lose we know we'll already be in the playoffs," Tjeerdsma said. "Emporia has a lot of pressure to win just so they can tie for the conference championship. Also, if they lose they would be alone in second place but could be out of the playoffs because as many as five teams could have two losses in the region."

The Hornets bring in their famed "sting and shoot" attack, which has given the Bearcats problems in the past, Tjeerdsma said.

"They are pretty balanced and they throw the ball well," Tjeerdsma said. "(Junior quarterback Trent) Fuller gave us trouble last year. We had a hard time with him, trying to contain him. He's got real good quickness, so it's going to be a real challenge."

Junior cornerback Greg Wayne said the Hornets' offense is tough to contain because of all the motion and movement.



As snow falls in Kirksville Saturday, the Bearcats celebrate their 41-7 victory over the Truman State Bulldogs in the annual Hickory State game. The 'Cats brought home the Hickory Stick for the third consecutive year. The Emporia

State Hornets will come to Rickenbrode Stadium Saturday for a game that will settle the MIAA. If the 'Cats win, they will claim a third-straight MIAA conference championship. Kickoff is set for 1 p.m.

"When they pass, we're going to play a lot of man coverage so we won't get caught up in all the passing routes," Wayne said. "Our defense has done a great job in the past because of our defensive line and having the linebackers fill the holes."

Defensively, the Hornets have stopped opponents' passing games all season and it shows with their No.

1-ranked pass defense in the MIAA.

"They are going to be pretty tough on us and our passing game," Tjeerdsma said. "Last year, they blitzed a lot and that was fine with us, because we were able to make the big plays."

With a victory Saturday the Bearcats will clinch the home-field advantage in the NCAA Division II

playoffs for the first two rounds of competition.

Scott Courter, junior wide receiver, said home-field advantage is a valuable tool late in the season.

"This time of year, there's nothing better than to play at home and get all the fans out there supporting us," Courter said. "There's nothing better than staying home for the playoffs."

Runners qualify for nationals

by Wendy Broker
Contributing Reporter

The Bearcat cross country team again dominated when it counted most, as the men's cross country team won the Great Lakes Regional meet and advanced to the NCAA national meet.

The men went into the regional meet in Hillsdale, Mich., focused on qualifying for the NCAA Division II Championships, a feat that would require them to finish in the top five teams at regionals.

"I'm excited for this group of guys, as hard as they have worked all season," head coach Rich Alsop said. "They came as close to putting it together as they have this year, but

they can be closer."

Seniors Robby Lane and Don Ferree led the men to their victory, finishing fifth and seventh respectively. Brian Cornelius and freshman Bryce Good finished out the Bearcats' top five at 14th, 16th and 18th respectively.

Ostreko, Ferree and Lane earned all-region honors with their performances.

The men will take a week off before heading to Lawrence, Kan., for the NCAA meet on Nov. 23.

Women end season at regionals

While the men advanced to a higher competition after regionals, the women's season ended.

The women placed sixth of 25 teams, beating and hanging tough with several conference schools at the meet.

They did not move onto nationals, but they excelled in many areas, assistant coach Shannon Torti said.

"Overall, we did well," Torti said. "With this meet, the season ended on a really good note for the women."

Sophomore Megan Carlson was the top finisher for the women placing 18th, followed by senior Lindsey Borgstadt, who finished 25th for the team. Senior Amber Martin placed 42nd for the 'Cats followed by sophomore Sarah Handrup and junior Becca Gassel at 58th and 82nd respectively.



John Petrovic/Missourian Photographer
Freshman center, Chris Borchers, 34, shoots over a teammate in a scrimmage on Monday. The 'Cats will open their season Saturday.

Williams scored an average of 12.8 points and grabbed 6.4 rebounds per game. Redd earned 13.8 points and 4.7 rebounds per game.

Northwest is ranked fifth in the MIAA preseason basketball poll — a ranking that Tappemeyer said he is not surprised with.

"Obviously we're not going to be satisfied with fifth," head coach Steve Tappemeyer said. "I thought we'd be somewhere in the middle of the pack. We lost two awfully good players — an All-American point guard and an All-Conference forward. We've got some places that we have to fill and things we've got to improve."

Junior transfer Kareem Preston and freshman Ke'Lan Mitchell will vie to run the point guard position.

Basketball begins play

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

The quest to repeat as MIAA champions and return to the NCAA Division II regional tournament will begin for the Bearcat's men's basketball team Saturday.

The 'Cats will open their season against Benedictine College, at 7:30 p.m. at Bearcat Arena.

The 'Cats are coming off of a 23-7 record last year. The team finished 13-3 in the MIAA conference and tied with Missouri Western State for the conference championship.

Despite the losses of last year's MIAA Most Valuable Player Shawn "Shakey" Harrington and forward Brian Burleson, the 'Cats have a solid base in returning senior forwards Levant Williams and Matt Redd.

Lady 'Cats look to improve on last season

by Travis Dimmitt
Missourian Reporter

If potential could be measured in monetary value, the 1998-99 Bearcat women's basketball team would be rich. Northwest has high hopes for improving on last season's 18-9 record and making a run on the MIAA championship.

Bearcat fortunes will begin with what should be a powerful inside game, anchored by 6-foot-2-inch towers Denise Sump and Linda Mattson. Mattson started in 16 games last season, and averaged 7.4 points and 6.9 rebounds per contest.

Sump was named second-team All-MIAA as a sophomore. She led the Bearcats in scoring, rebounding and field goal percentages last year. Sump averaged 19.3 points and 10.4 rebounds per game. She shot 53.7 percent from the field in 23 starts.

Head coach Wayne Winstead said Northwest's only two returning starters will play significant roles this year, but will have help via an improved outside game. He said much of that improvement will take place behind the three-point line with the addition of junior college transfer Liza Gualandi. The junior shooting guard red-shirted her first

year in a Bearcat uniform. She is now ready to make a significant contribution.

The Bearcats will play a lot of new faces, and Winstead said an early goal is to perfect the team's chemistry for the long conference road.

"That's our chief, our No. 1 objective — to get the veterans and the new kids meshed together as a team," Winstead said. "I think we've improved with every practice."

The 'Cats will end their exhibition season Friday against the Nebraska All-Stars in Bearcat Arena. The game will begin after an MIAA volleyball match that is scheduled for 7 p.m.



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director
Bearcat outside hitter Shelli Suda gets into position to for the dig as her teammates (from left) Abby Sunderman, Shannon Ross and Jill Quast prepare for their next move. The 'Cats lost the match to Truman State in three straight sets.

Bulldogs drop spikers, close season Saturday

by Barry Piatt
Missourian Reporter

The Northwest volleyball team lost its third straight match 3-0 to Truman State Wednesday night at Bearcat Arena.

The Bulldogs dominated the match, 15-7, 15-12 and 15-2, improving to 22-13 on the year and 10-6 in the conference. Northwest dropped to 19-12 overall and 5-9 in the MIAA.

Northwest had nine kills and a block from sophomore Jill Quast. Sophomore Abby Williams contributed 23 assists and 20 digs. Sophomore Shelli Suda collected 20 digs, and freshman Jennifer Monson added one block.

Truman was led by sophomore Janelle Zehr, who collected 12 kills and four blocks. Senior Kelly Mangels had a game-high 36 assists, and freshman Brenda Ippensen contributed 14 digs.

After losing in four games to the Bulldogs Oct. 14 in Kirksville, the 'Cats couldn't manage a win against Truman Wednesday night. Monson said the 'Cats had one bright spot in the match, but there are many things they didn't do well.

"Our defense was pretty good,

but we have a lot of other things we need to work on," she said.

With the hope of receiving a berth in the Regional Tournament Nov. 20-21 gone, Monson said Northwest has one goal left to obtain this season.

"We just want to win our final two games of the season and move up in the conference standings a little bit."

Northwest will wrap up its season this weekend with a Friday night match against Missouri Southern, followed by a Saturday morning match with Pittsburg State, both in Bearcat Arena.

Northwest defeated the Lions in five games at Joplin and downed the Gorillas in four games at Pittsburg, Kan., during a weekend road trip Oct. 2 and 3.

Head coach Sarah Pelster is hoping this weekend is successful for the Bearcats, but she expects both teams to be tough.

"They are both very competitive teams and we are hoping for good matches with them," she said.

The Missouri Southern matchup will begin 7 p.m. Friday, while the season finale against Pittsburg State will be at 11 a.m. Saturday at Bearcat Arena.

the Stat sheet

NCAA Div. II Football Poll

1. Central Oklahoma (10-0)
2. Northwest (10-0)
3. Carson-Newman (Tenn.) (9-1)
4. California-Davis (9-1)
5. Slippery Rock (Pa.) (9-1)
6. Northern Colorado (9-1)
7. North Dakota (8-1)
8. Indiana (Pa.) (9-1)
9. Albany State (Ga.) (9-1)
10. Emporia State (Kan.) (9-1)
11. Texas A & M - Kingsville (8-2)
12. Fort Valley State (Ga.) (9-1)
13. Shepherd (W. Va.) (8-1)
14. Grand Valley State (Mich.) (8-2)
15. West Texas A & M (8-2)
16. Nebraska-Omaha (8-2)
17. Delta State (Miss.) (7-2)
18. West Georgia (9-1)
19. Chadron State (Neb.) (8-2)
20. Winona State (Minn.) (9-0)

MIAA football

	MIAA		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Northwest	8	0	10	0
Emporia State	7	1	9	1
Pittsburg State	5	3	6	3
Truman State	5	3	5	5
Central Mo.	5	3	7	3
Washburn	3	5	4	6
Mo. Western	3	5	5	5
Mo. Southern	3	5	3	6
SW Baptist	1	7	2	8
Rolla	0	8	0	10

Northwest vs. Emporia Team statistics

Scoring offense points per game
1. Northwest, 44.1
2. Emporia state, 39.5

Total offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 484.2
2. Northwest, 469.8

Rushing offense yards per game
1. Emporia State, 264.5
4. Northwest, 186.1

Passing offense yards per game
1. Northwest, 283.7
2. Emporia State, 219.7

Total defense yards per game
1. Pittsburg State, 266.2
3. Northwest, 308.6
4. Emporia State, 311.2

Rushing defense yards per game
1. Northwest, 113.7
6. Emporia State, 180.4

Passing defense
1. Emporia State, 130.8
8. Northwest, 194.9

Individual Statistics

Rushing yards per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 209.2
2. Derek Lane, NW, 81.5

Passing efficiency
1. Chris Greisen, NW, 150.9
2. Trent Fuller, ESU, 137.6

Total offense yards per game
1. Chris Greisen, NW, 255.7
2. Trent Fuller, ESU, 213.7

Receiving yards per game
1. Marc Nardella, WU, 106.5
2. Tony Miles, NW, 84.6

3. Lester McCoy, ESU, 69.8
5. Jarrett Vito, ESU, 63.4
7. Chet Pobolish, ESU, 55.5
9. J.R. Hill, NW, 42.3

All-purpose yards per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 253.6
2. Tony Miles, NW, 160.7

Scoring points per game
1. Brian Shay, ESU, 16.4
2. David Purnell, NW, 7.9

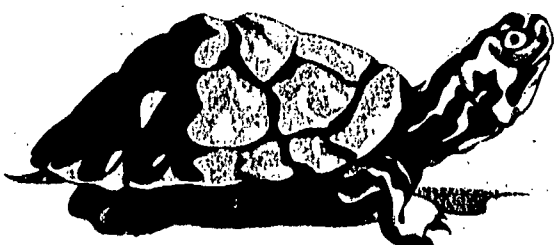
6. Derek Lane, NW, 6.0
10. Elias Matsakis, ESU, 5.6

MIAA volleyball

	MIAA	Overall
	W L	W L
Central Mo.	14 0	25 4
Emporia State	11 3	26 7
Truman State	9 6	21 13
Mo. Western	8 6	20 16
Northwest	5 8	19 11
Washburn	5 9	12 21
Mo. Southern	5 9	6 18
SW Baptist	4 10	14 19
Pittsburg State	2 12	8 16

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'Hound's postseason hopes ruined

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

The Maryville football season came to a heart-breaking end Friday night. The team lost its chance to move into the playoffs when the Chillicothe Hornets upset the Spoofhounds.

The Hornets stung the 'Hounds 28-14, and for the second consecutive year Maryville's season was brought to an abrupt end in the district championship game.

Head coach Chuck Lliteras said the 'Hounds couldn't seem to get anything started, but he was proud of his team for not giving up.

"It didn't go very well for us tonight," Lliteras said. "They came out and got that running game going and we had trouble shutting it down. They controlled the line of scrimmage. We had trouble getting our blocks on pass protection, and Nick (Glasnapp, senior quarterback) was running for his life all night. We didn't quit fighting. We battled and battled, and we kept on playing hard. They were the better football team tonight."

The 'Hounds, ranked first in the Midland Empire Conference in defense and offense, were mesmerized by Chillicothe's running attack of seniors Wyatt Pickering and Billy Peniston.

Pickering had 23 carries for 228 yards on the night, including rushes of 46 and 66 yards.

Senior linebacker John Edmonds said Chillicothe kept Maryville's defense guessing throughout the game.

"Their whole line did a heck of a job," Edmonds said. "When we started setting our line, they ran it the other way and took our D-line out of the play. In past years, they've

been a run-to-the-strong-side team. Tonight they kind of surprised us. They ran to the weak side quite a bit."

Chillicothe's passing game also clicked. Senior quarterback David Wolf completed six of eight passes for 67 yards.

Senior running back Mike Nanninga put the 'Hounds on the board in the first quarter, but it wasn't enough. Chillicothe tied the game at seven a piece in the second quarter and the 'Hounds never relinquished the lead.

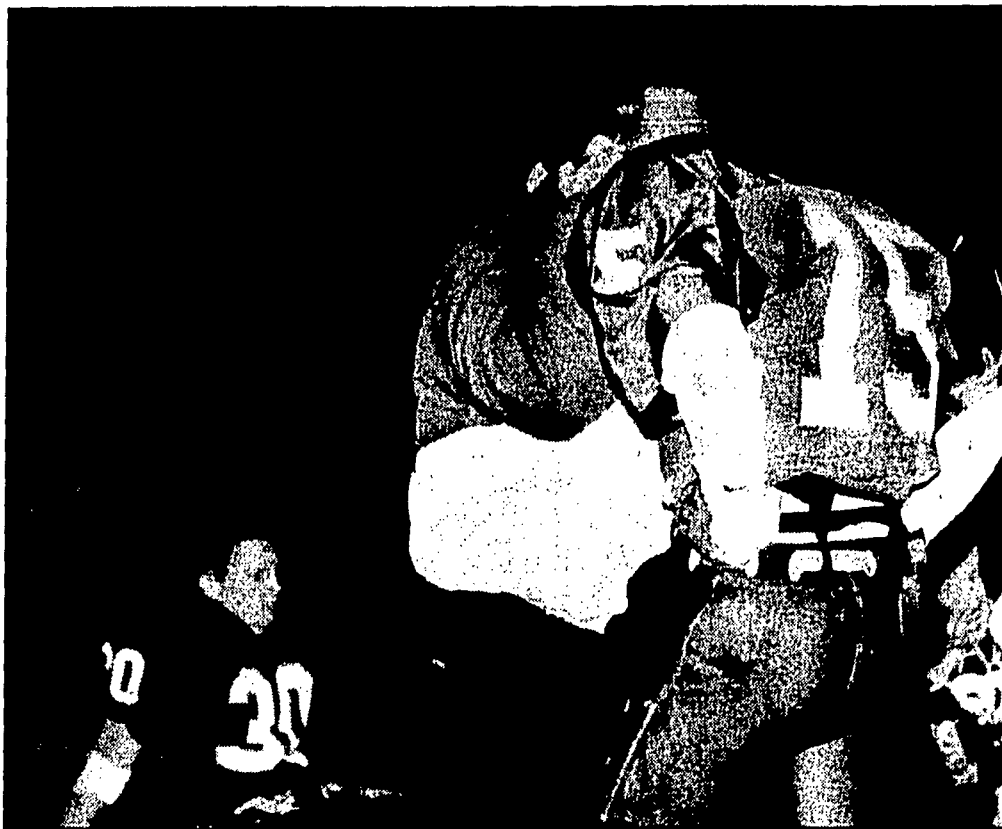
When time expired, Lliteras huddled his team in the end zone and told them to hold their heads high.

The 'Hounds went 8-1 and were crowned Midland Empire Champions for the second straight year.

"We had several holes to fill and our kids stepped in and played well all year long," Lliteras said. "There's so many moments, from watching these kids running passes and move the football around. The defense played really well for the most part and those are fun things. The big win against Savannah two weeks ago was fun. Life goes on and you've got to keep your head up. There's good things and bad things that happen."

The loss to Chillicothe marked the last high school football game for 14 Maryville seniors. Lliteras said this year's senior class was a close group and they carried themselves well.

"I'm really happy and excited for this bunch," Lliteras said. "They've led this football team through the season. They were very good role models. They kept us close as far as the team goes. They played very well together and they were an inspiration to the whole football team."



In the background, senior running back Adam Otte sits alone in disbelief as senior quarterback Nick Glasnapp buries his head in his step-fathers shoulder. Friday night's

heartbreaking loss to Chillicothe marked the second consecutive year that they have been eliminated during district play after finishing the regular season undefeated.

On the sidelines Playoff system needs thought



■ Mark Hornickel

But that's not the worst of it.

The real kicker is that Maryville ended (that's right — ended) the season with a record of 8-1. Chillicothe is 7-2 and will continue its season in the state playoffs.

The way it works is this: each team has a regular season schedule of nine games. The last three games are considered district games. No matter its record in the previous six games, whichever team earns the best record in the district games moves on to the state playoffs.

Going into the game, Chillicothe and Maryville had each earned 2-0 records in district play. Chillicothe beat the 'Hounds, thus earning a perfect record in district play and the right to move into the playoffs.

To say it is unfair that an 8-1 team which crushed every team in one of the most competitive conferences in the state and ranked No. 1 in offense and defense is not going on in the playoffs is an understatement.

I'm not saying Chillicothe doesn't deserve to be in the playoffs. The Hornets have a top-notch running game and they beat Maryville fair and square, but Maryville deserves to be right up there with them competing for a state championship.

It goes further than Maryville. In another district game on Friday night Lafayette, a 4-5 team, shocked Benton, a 6-3 team. Lafayette moved into the playoffs and, once again, the better team was snubbed.

Have the officials at the Missouri State High School Activities Association not heard of brackets? You know, those things they use in post seasons for Major League Baseball, the NFL, the NBA, the NHL, college basketball and most other sports. It's a nice concept where the top teams in each league are put into these so-called brackets. The best teams play against each other, and when teams lose they are eliminated from the brackets. Then, the team that advances all the way through the brackets wins the championship.

The Missouri Photography Director and I had signed the press form one day earlier to attend the state championship game.

As a writer, I'm not supposed to get too close to the events I cover. But I couldn't help it. This year's Maryville football team was just too fun to watch. I couldn't help but fall in love with the team as they beat opponents week after week.

Perhaps one of the eeriest feelings I've experienced came when the final seconds ticked away Friday night. I stood there motionless as Chillicothe players leaped past me and fans stormed onto the field.

I watched as tears flooded the eyes of Maryville players, cheerleaders, students and family members.

You could say they had no right to cry because they had such a great season. But it wasn't supposed to end like that.

Basketball season gears up for girls

by Barry Platt
Missourian Reporter

Last year marked the first winning season in 10 years for the Maryville girls' basketball team. As the 1998-99 season begins, the Lady 'Hounds are confident the success of last season will carry into this year.

"I think we could go pretty far this year," senior forward Keri Lohafer said. "We have a lot of potential with our size, but we are going to have to stay focused and play hard all the time."

That size will be provided in part by Lohafer, a 6-foot-1-inch returning starter, and senior post player Erin Heflin, who at 5 feet 6 inches was a starter last year. Maryville's other returning starter from last year's 17-8 team is senior guard Stephanie Duncan.

Head coach Jeff Martin said in addition to Lohafer, Heflin and Duncan, he is looking for contributions from two other seniors: guard Megan McLaughlin and forward/guard Shea O'Reilly.

The 'Hounds will have to replace six seniors from last year's squad, including honorable mention all-conference post player Abbey Lade. Three seniors that graduated last year will need to be replaced: Kari Baumgartner, Allison Jonagan and Cynthia Prokes.

In the Midland Empire Conference, Martin expects Savannah, who finished second in the state in Class 3A last March, and Benton to be the teams to beat this season. He also said Platte County, Chillicothe and Lafayette will be very competitive.

Martin is optimistic about the upcoming season, but knows winning won't come easy.

"We established some nice things



Greg Hetrick/Chief Photographer

A pair of Spoofhounds are warming up for the season with a scrimmage during practice on Tuesday night. The 'Hounds started practice on Nov. 2 and will open their season on Nov. 24 against Excelsior Springs.

last year, and we need to build on that," he said. "Staying injury free is a concern for us. In the first week of practice, we've had a thumb injury and an ankle injury to a couple of our sophomore players, and Megan (McLaughlin) will miss about two weeks of practice with a back injury she suffered from weight training. We hope to have her back by the start of the season."

Maryville will open its season at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 24 at Excelsior Springs.

Hoopsters prep for year

by Blake Drehle
Missourian Reporter

Activity on the hardwood at Maryville High School is heating up as the boys basketball team prepares for a new season. Experience is the key factor for the Spoofhounds, who finished 22-5 last year.

Head coach Mike Kuwitzky is excited about the upcoming season.

"I am encouraged and optimistic about the season," Kuwitzky said. "I think that this is going to be a fun year with a team full of great kids who will work hard and play together as a team."

The Spoofhounds will be led by two returning starting seniors: spotman Ryan Morley and point guard Nick Glasnapp. Morley returns as the team's leading scorer, averaging 12.9 points and 4.9 rebounds per game. Glasnapp averaged 5.7 points and 3.5 assists per game last season.

Morley said this year's team has a good chance to win many games.

"We have a good team with a lot of fire power," Morley said. "The thing that really hurts us is the lack of depth."

The team overcomes its depth trouble with experience. Seniors John Edmonds, Adam Otte, Dan

Walter, Mike Nanninga, and junior Pat Jordan will return.

Glasnapp said the returning players on this year's team will enhance its opportunity to perform well.

"We should be a pretty good team this year, in that the guys on the team should be comfortable with things this year," Glasnapp said.

The 'Hounds will be entering the season with opponents gunning for them in the Nodaway County Tournament; they have won it five of the last six years. Teams will also be going after the 'Hounds in the Savannah tournament; the team has won it the last eight years.

Grapplers lack experience for new season

by Blake Drehle
Missourian Reporter

After losing four state qualifiers to graduation last year, the Maryville Spoofhounds wrestling team will find competition a little more difficult this year.

The Spoofhounds finished last season with a record of 7-3, but head coach Joe Drake is having to start from scratch this year with a group of inexperienced wrestlers.

"A big part of the team is still out for football, which gives us the

opportunity to work with more inexperienced wrestlers," Drake said.

Senior D.J. Merrill returns as the team's only state qualifier and knows he will have to step up in order for the team to be successful.

"This is going to be a totally different year from the last several years with guys trying to learn the system. But with dedication, I do believe that we will surprise some people," Merrill said.

Drake knows the junior varsity players will have to step up and wrestle as well as the varsity

wrestlers with more experience.

"The big thing to this year's team will be how the younger guys accept the challenge and the ability to mature in varsity wrestling," Drake said.

The Midland Empire Conference looks as tough as it is every year, Drake said.

"Lafayette, Chillicothe, Smithville and Platte County are going to be the teams that will lead the conference," he said. "It won't be a really easy time for us."

The 'Hounds will play host to St. Pius X at 7 p.m. Dec. 8.



Runner goes to state

The Maryville cross country team sent one representative to state competition at Oak Hills Golf Course in Jefferson City Saturday. Sophomore Jennifer Heller finished 91st

out of about 140 runners at the meet with a time of 22:42.

Head coach Ron Eckerson was pleased with Heller's performance.

"I thought she had a very good time compared to her district time and some of the other athletes I have had go to the state level," Eckerson said. "And she's only a sophomore, so hopefully she'll get there a couple more years."

Heller was proud of the team's accomplishments this season.

"We all worked really hard," Heller said. "I just wish the whole team could have gone to state instead of just me."



■ Jennifer Heller

Mark Hornickel is the sports editor of The Northwest Missourian.

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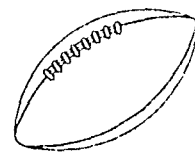
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Polar Bears

Team teaches swimming skills, competition



by Blake Drehle
Missourian Reporter

With the fall season of sports winding down and winter approaching, things are getting wet at the Aquatic Center.

The Northwest Polar Bears swim team is in the middle of their semester long season. Boys and girls ranging from ages 7 to 14 are participating to improve their swimming abilities.

The team of 23 swimmers is part of the United States Swimming Certified Team and competes in the Missouri Valley swim meet. It is coached by Chad Holmes, second year coach and a junior physical education and recreation major.

"When I got involved with the program in '96, I started out with seven kids," Holmes said. "Last season we only had 13 and still did pretty good, so I'm hoping for a better season this year."

Assisting Holmes is Andrea Griesken, second year coach and a Northwest junior, who is looking for-

ward to the season.

"I'm very excited of improving this season," Griesken said. "A lot of people have stepped up and are doing better."

The Polar Bears have six meets a semester. The meets are usually held every weekend in cities like Kansas City, Mo., Omaha, Neb., and Des Moines, Iowa. If the swimmers do well, they advance to Division I competition in Topeka, Kan.

The team participated in its first meet Oct. 22-24 in Independence, At the independent swim meet, Nick Zweisel qualified for Division I and level I in freestyle competition.

Brandon Sannon also qualified for level I and is the only 14-year-old on the team. The team has improved 92 percent in 172 meets, Holmes said.

They have completed two other meets in Olathe, Kan., and Chillicothe last weekend. Every swimmer qualified for the level II competition, which will be held Dec. 18 at Park Hill.

The meets include different events, such as the butterfly, breast-

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stroke, backstroke and long distance events of 500, 200, 100 and 50 meters.

There are also kids who swim the 25-meter long distance. Ribbons and medals are awarded to high placed participants.

Holmes enjoys it when the swimmers are able to win ribbons and medals, but he'd rather see his team setting goals for themselves and improving on them.

"At the beginning of the season, I have each member write down five goals that they want to accomplish this year, and we make sure they do that," he said.

This year Holmes also decided to start a "stair stepping" program. He gets children who have been swimming for the last two years involved by setting higher goals to make Division I.

Michelle Fink, 12, believes in the system and has set her own goal.

"I want to be able to reach my first goal by reaching both divisions, because I know that I can if I try hard enough," Fink said.

Kelly Dawson, 11, also wants to



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help improve herself by setting higher goals.

"I hope to gain more speed and become a stronger swimmer this winter," Dawson said.

The Polar Bears swim team also gets support from parents.

Christina Heins, mother of two swimmers and treasurer of the team, enjoys seeing her children get exercise.

"It's a good thing for them to do daily," Heins said. "Swimming is a reparative sport, and it helps the kids to think about their past days' events."

Sandra Wood, secretary of the team and mother of two swimmers, is happy with the way Holmes is

helping the kids.

"Chad is doing good as a coach by helping the children build self-esteem with goal setting," Wood said. "My son, Tristen, could barely make it to the end of the pool at the beginning of last season, and by the end of the season he could swim the 100 meters."

Overall, Holmes is impressed with the team's practice and realizes how hard it can be on them.

"The practices run about two hours, four days a week," he said. "The kids swim about two miles without any complaints."

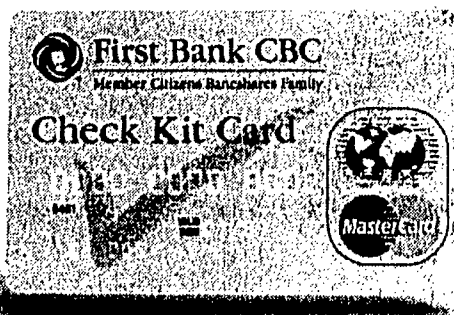
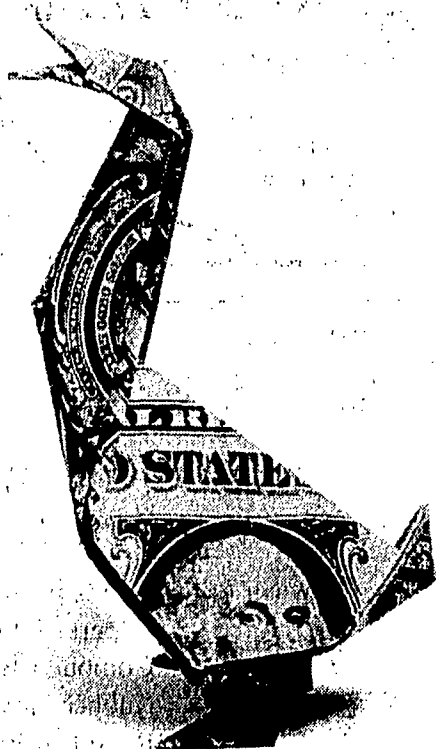
Holmes is confident the team is ready to compete with other competition in the Missouri Valley meet.

Polar Bears coach Chad Holmes (far left) gives swimmers tips on stroke techniques during practice. The Polar Bears practice four days a week and are gearing up for the Independence Invitational Nov. 22 and 23. The team has traveled to Chillicothe and Olathe, Kan., to compete in events such as the breaststroke, backstroke and butterfly.

Polar Bear swimmers work on kicking drills during a recent practice. A typical workout for the Polar Bears includes a warm-up, a series of strokes and kicking techniques.

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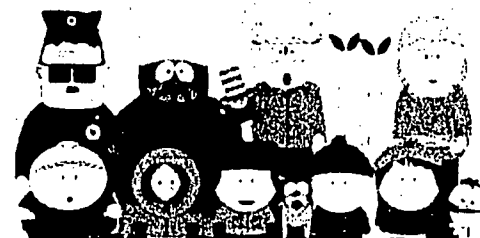
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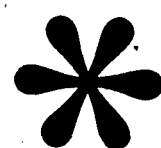
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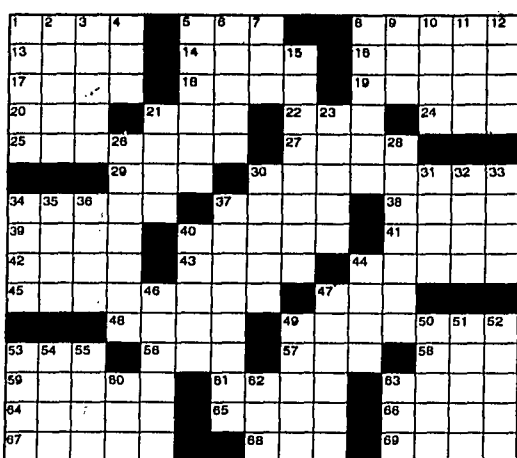
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 29. Bad newspaper, slangily
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 42. Exude
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 45. Unprejudiced
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 53. Capture
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Answers to last issue's puzzle

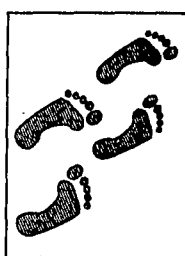


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The Stroller

Winds blow in winterization tips



The Stroller

Fall leaves, freezing conditions remind Bearcats to bundle up

The gusty wind at Northwest this week nearly blew Your Man to another country, but he managed to survive and produce another column for all of you Bearcats this week.

As the leaves pile up along Northwest's many sidewalks and the mercury starts to plunge on the thermometer, the Stroller decided to offer his tips on how to keep warm in the cold. Freezing temperatures can be hazardous to your health, and Your Man wouldn't want any of you Bearcats to die of pneumonia.

First, of course, you need to bundle up. Put on your warm winter outerwear, be it a coat or jacket.

Keep in mind that looking fashionable may have to be abandoned for the sake of avoiding cold weather injuries such as frostbite and hypothermia. Hopefully, it won't get as bad for you as Randy in everybody's favorite holiday movie "A Christmas Story," but it would still be cool because you would provide the rest of us with a good laugh.

And yes, protecting yourself from the cold also means wearing a hat and risking "hat-head" in order to avoid any frostbite damage to your ears.

To protect your noggin, make sure you have a hood on your coat. Or you can purchase a nice wooly lid for you head. These come in many different sizes, shapes, styles and colors.

You can get them with designs of reindeer or snowflakes. Or you can get one

that has a groovy 1970s design on it.

Your cap may also have a nice puffy ball on it. These are nice, but I think they are more useful if you yank them off and use them as the nucleus of a snowball. When the snow falls, you can pack snow around your puffy ball and use it in a snowball fight like it was a Nerf football.

Next, you need to have a pair of cozy mittens or gloves.

This holds true even if you are going outside for only a brief period, whether it is to move your car to a different parking spot so it does not get another \$20 ticket tacked on it by Campus Safety, or you are in search of another campus dining location that has been moved.

For those of you who will be attending this week's football game (and I don't know why anybody wouldn't), it will be beneficial for you to keep these tips in mind.

Hopefully, the Bearcat football team won't take too much time to get warmed up. After all, our team is going to have to get heated up fast, or else we might risk getting burned by the Brian Shay guy that Emporia State supposedly has. This is it folks. Then it's on to the play-offs.

And then, after the football game, we can take our rowdy selves into Bearcat Arena and get warmed up fast by cheering on the Bearcat basketball team.

Have a good one Bearcats, and stay warm.

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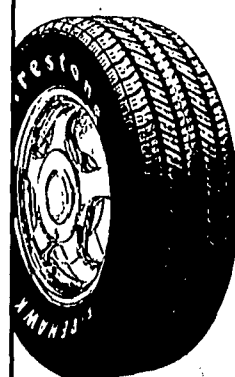
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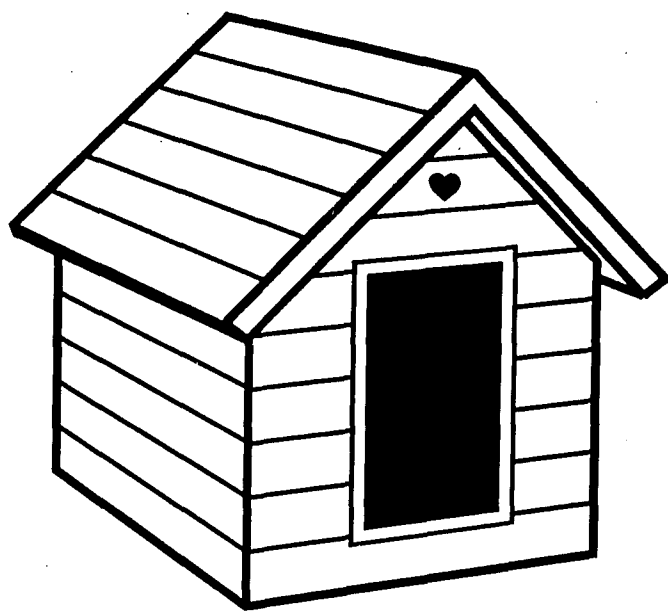
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Animal House



Shelters provide homes for wayward pets

Open hearts share home with animals

by Michelle Murphy
Missourian Reporter

For many people, taking care of one pet is a big responsibility, but imagine taking care of close to 750 animals on a daily basis.

M'Shoogy's in Savannah is a one-of-a-kind animal shelter. M'Shoogy's is an animal rescue that takes in injured, abandoned or abused animals and puts them up for adoption. M'Shoogy's never kills any of the animals that come into their care.

M'Shoogy's has been in the business for 13 years. The name of the shelter was brought to owner Gary Silverglat's attention and is Yiddish for "crazy."

The business is a family operation that is run in the family's backyard. It consists of 20 acres of land, and they use every inch of it.

For the past eight years, renovations have been taking place. M'Shoogy's efforts have been to make the shelter not only appealing to the people interested in adoption, but appealing to the animals. It is shaded by dozens of trees and contains a clinic and an exercise area behind the pens for the animals. M'Shoogy's is not your typical animal shelter.

The first year the family lived on the farm, they had 13 dogs given to them. This was only the beginning. "When we first moved here, we were just surprised at how many animals were homeless in the country," Silverglat said. "So many people just came out to the country to throw away their animals, and we decided to do something about that."

From that point on, it has grown in leaps and bounds. Silverglat said the shelter has grown to contain 750 animals. There are times when they have over 750 and the pens get full. Currently, there are 600 dogs at the shelter.

"It just kept adding up with all the animals, and we just started building pens, because we didn't want to kill them," said Silverglat's daughter Ashley Campbell. "We have animals finding us, such as the strays, as well as people just giving us animals to adopt out."

Any type of animal can live at M'Shoogy's. With Silverglat's agriculture background, they knew enough to get started and save animals' lives.

Currently, they are licensed through the state for domestic conservation and farm animals, as well as raptors, which means they can help save an injured eagle, owl or hawk.

"We wanted to be able to rescue anything that anybody calls us on," Silverglat's wife Lisa said. "Right now, we have dogs, cats, horses, goats, deer, a nine-week-old raccoon and a hawk all living with us. We also have two emergency vehicles that make runs when we get calls on injured animals."

Call M'Shoogy's at (816) 324-5824, phone lines are open 24 hours. It is located at 11519 Route C. in Savannah.

With over 750 animals to care for, the next question is how are they able to provide for these animals. According to Gary, they depend on donations.

From time to time, Wal-Mart has given the shelter broken bags of dog food as a donation, but 99 percent of the money comes out of the family's own pocket. The family used to operate other home businesses, but the shelter needed more time and energy, and they have since dropped those businesses.

"We rely on ourselves for now," Gary said. "But we could really use some volunteer help around here. A lot of people in the northwest area don't take the time to help."

The reason behind the family's generosity is pretty simple.

"We want to give something back to the animals," Campbell said. "We don't want to kill them like they do in most shelters, because they don't care. We care about the animals here."

The Silverglats not only have opened their door and their hearts to animals, but also to five adopted children of their own.

"Before I met Lisa, she had already had adopted three kids," Gary Silverglat said. "When we got together we adopted two more children. They range in the ages of 13 to 22 years old."

The entire family contributes its time to the shelter. Every available working hand chips in at the home.

"Because we all work here, we all pretty much have turned into animal lovers," Campbell said. "All of us kids help out around the farm. We all have our individual sections and pens. We each have about 100 to 150 animals that we take care of a piece."

At M'Shoogy's, anyone can adopt an animal.

There's a \$45 fee, which includes the price to spay or neuter, to give all the shots, deworming and heart worm check, as well as two weeks of free medical attention.

"Most of the animals we rescue are abused," Lisa Silverglat said. "So when that animal is being adopted, we are up front and tell the person interested in the animal its history, such as if it was abused, injured, abandoned or whatever."

"We don't want any unhappy people or pets. Everyone has a two-week trial period, if something was to go wrong, such as an unhappy animal or pet owner, they can return the pet and get a full refund."

M'Shoogy's is one of a kind. There is no other business that compares to M'Shoogy's in the United States, Lisa said.



Mike Karsell/Assistant Photography Director

The Nodaway Animal Shelter, managed by the New Nodaway Humane Society, has lots of puppies like this 8-week-old male Heeler mix up for adoption.

Adoption for males is \$40 and \$50 for females. The fee includes, spaying or neutering of the pets and their first round of shots.

Shelter animals need tender loving care

by Ashley Gerken
Missourian Reporter

A cold, windy night, alone and scared, the homeless animals await that one chance to find a warm, inviting home.

Stray, abandoned and abused animals are taken in and cared for by volunteers at the Nodaway Animal Shelter who are working for the betterment of the animals.

The shelter, managed by the New Nodaway Humane Society, works to promote animal welfare, funds a spay and neuter program, educates the schools and community and promotes the placement of the animals.

The volunteers at the shelter care for the basic necessities of the animals, fulfill emotional needs and look out for other animals in danger. The shelter is also involved in cruelty investigations.

"This is something we take seriously and if animals are in immediate danger, such as not having food or shelter, they will be immediately taken in," said Kenneth Hill, president of the Humane Society.

Abandoned and neglected animals are not easily deterred.

"It is hard to prove the neglect cases, and some people think that just giving your pet food and shelter is enough," said Ingrid Hill, secretary of the Society. "It isn't enough. People need to pay attention to their animals."

The shelter is constantly full of animals that need homes. Through July of this year, 309 dogs and 90 cats were brought to the shelter. Fifty-two had to be euthanized, said Sharon Bonnet, publicity director of the Society.

"This statistic is the goal behind our slogan 'Adopt one until there are none,'" Bonnet said.

The Humane Society is working hard to place the animals and is trying to promote the foster homes for the pets. Often this is a chance for the animals to get out of the shelter and become a well trained animal that will be ready for adoption.

"The goal of the foster home program is to take 'highly adoptable' animals and train them to become pets people are going to want," Bonnet said. "Often we need to potty train the animals and see how they respond to children before people will consider adopting them."

The board members of the Humane Society often take the animals home.

The Nodaway Animal Shelter is accepting clean aluminum cans 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday for its "Can Do It" fund drive. They are also accepting volunteers willing to work at the shelter or to take the dogs on walks.

"We have had four different animals in our home, trained them and now they are placed with other families," Kenneth Hill said.

Potential foster owners of the animals must meet qualifications.

"To become eligible for adoption, someone must show a desire to help out the animals and they must be able to ensure they will be able to provide the necessities for the animals," Bonnet said.

Recently the shelter received a top rating as a result of an inspection by the Missouri Department of Agriculture. The superior rating came after an unannounced annual visit by a state inspector.

The inspection included the condition of the interior and exterior of the shelter, the health and safety of the animals housed and the maintenance of the shelter records.

"We are happy that we have met the state's requirements, but there is so much more we want to do for these animals," Hill said.

The shelter is planning build a new facility within the next five years.

"We want to build a shelter with a pet store environment," Hill said. "Cement floors and an indoor meeting room for people to meet with dogs they are considering for adoption."

The project will cost a minimum of \$250,000.

The Society does receive some funding from the city of Maryville, but the majority goes to two full-time employees' salaries and the shelter's needs, said Bonnet.

Most of the money for the new shelter will come from fund-raising. The shelter launched a "Can Do It" fund drive that will continue throughout November. The money raised will go toward pet food.

According to Kenneth Hill, the "Paws to Recycle" program is part of a national effort to encourage people to help their environment while helping animals.

"Our animal shelter will be competing with other shelters throughout the nation to draw attention to the environment and our animals and to earn a \$3,000 grand prize," he said.



Health care tips for pets

- Make sure your pets receive the proper vaccinations. Ask your veterinarian which shots and when they are needed.
- Pets need exercise to keep their muscles strong and hearts healthy. Playing with them or simply taking them for a walk is a good form of exercise.
- Neuter or spay your pets to prevent reproduction and unwanted pets.

Winterizing Pets

- Make sure pets have adequate shelter. If the animals are outside, it is suggested to put a bedding made of hay in the cage to keep them warm.
- After the dog plays in the snow, clean off any excess snow from his paws.
- Keep the pet's water bowl full and fresh. Make sure the water does not freeze, because the pet is unable to drink ice!

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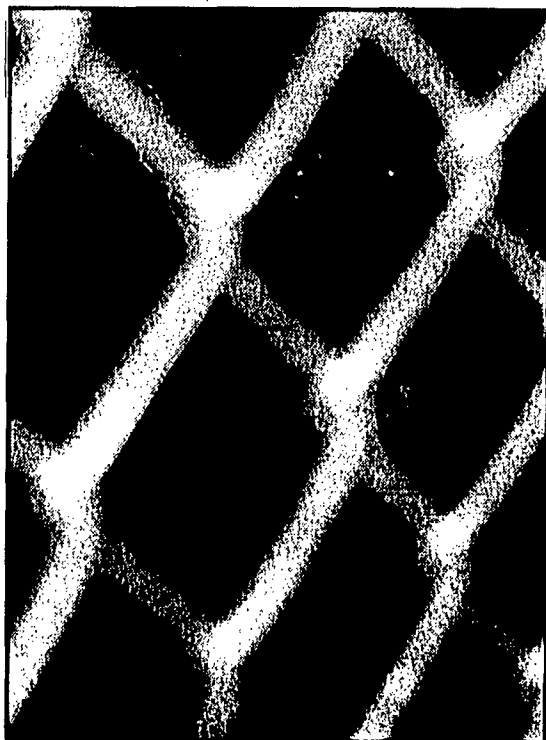
Type: Shepard/Collie mix
Sex: Adult
Age: Adult

These pets can be adopted at the Nodaway Animal Shelter located at 3721 E. First St. It costs \$40 for males and \$50 for females, which includes the adoption fees, shots and deworming, and spaying or neutering. For more information call 562-3333.

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M'Shoogy's is an animal shelter that is currently caring for 750 animals. The shelter is "one-of-a-kind," according to owner Lisa Silverglat. They are licensed to save anything from an injured eagle to a stray dog or cat. Pets can be adopted for \$45 which includes the price to spay or neuter, the first round of shots, deworming, a heart worm check and two weeks of free medical attention.

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Jennifer Meyer / Photography Director

Mel Tjeerdsma tries to point the 'Cats to a third straight MIAA conference title. Two of college football's top players, Northwest quarterback Chris Griesen and Emporia State running back Brian Shay face off as Tjeersdma looks to earn his 100th career coaching victory against the Hornets Saturday.

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 Time of possession: 30:40
 3rd-down con.: 62/133 (47%)
 4th-down con.: 7/16 (44%)
 Field goals: 9-12 (75%)
 Top passer: Chris Greisen 298-181-12, 60.7 completion pct., 21 TDs;
 Top Rusher: Derek Lane 128-815, 81.5 ypg, 11 TDs
 Top Receiver: Tony Miles 52-845, 84.5 ypg, 8 TDs;
 Top Tackler: Aaron Crowe 83 total tackles, 9 TFL, 4 sacks
 Brian Williams 79 total tackles, 8 TFL, 3 FRs;



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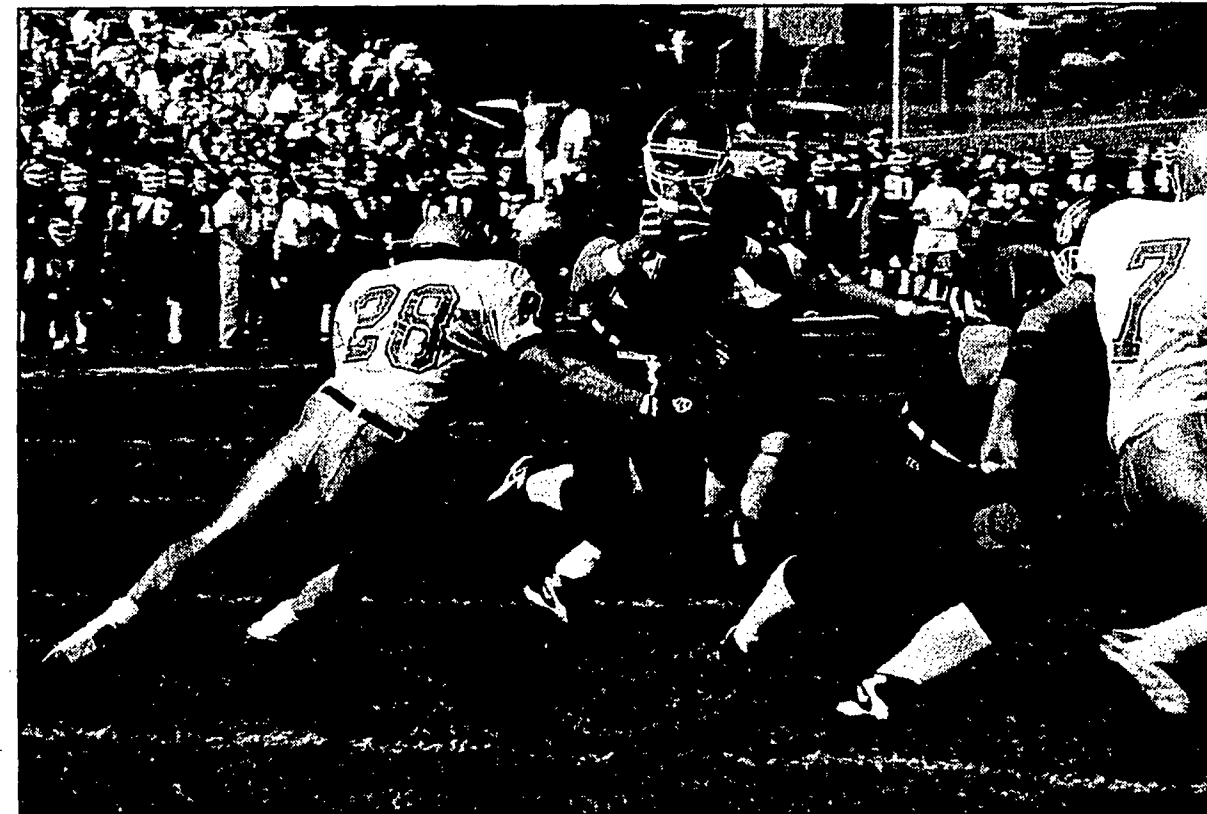


■ Brian Shay

**Hornets**

Points: 39.5
 Points allowed: 20.7
 Total offense: 484.2
 Rushing offense: 254.5
 Passing offense: 219.7
 Total defense: 311.2
 Rushing defense: 180.4
 Passing defense: 130.8
 Time of possession: 26:59
 3rd-down con.: 54/126 (43%)
 4th-down con.: 15/31 (52%)
 Field goals: 4-7 (57%)
 Top passer: Trent Fuller 242-142-8, 58.7 completion pct., 13 TDs
 Top Rusher: Brian Shay 266-2,092, 209.2 ypg, 27 TDs
 Top Receiver: Lester McCoy 38-698, 69.8 ypg, 4 TDs
 Top Tackler: Leon Brigham 104 total tackles, 20 TFL
 Gerard Clemons 94 total tackles, 18 TFL, 6 sacks.

Top collegians square off Saturday



Northwest senior quarterback Chris Greisen scrambles in the 'Cats Homecoming win over Missouri-Rolla. With 313 yards passing against Truman State last week, Greisen set new Bearcat records for single-season passing and career passing. He now has 2,658 yards this season, which eclipses his single-season record of 2,456 set last season. His 5,576 career yards tops Greg Teale's total of 5,565 from 1993-1996. In addition to breaking those records, Greisen was also named MIAA Offensive Player of the Week.

by Colin McDonough
 Contributing Reporter

Division II football fans, it just doesn't get any better than this. Arguably, the two best players in the nation will be on the same field Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium. The game will match Emporia State's Brian Shay against Northwest's Chris Greisen.

Shay has been "Mr. Everything" for the Hornets in his four-year career, setting every rushing and scoring record in Division II football.

Since the 1996 season, Shay has averaged 192.4 yards per game. He is the first collegian to rush for more than 1,900 yards in three consecutive seasons.

"If I had my way, every one of my teammates names would be listed in the record books," Shay said. "These are something that later in life I can look back on and be proud of, but for now my only focus is to win football games."

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said Shay is an impressive player but not one the Bearcats will be scared of.

"Don't get me wrong, he's a great player and he has done a lot for Emporia State and the conference," Tjeerdsma said. "We've got great respect for him and his abilities. But we are not in awe of him and we're not going to make a special deal about stopping him."

Greisen said the media and fans

will love the opportunity to see two of the most talented players in college football, but not to get to enthralled in the matchup.

"It's definitely for the reporters and fans to look at, but you have to remember it's still a game," Greisen said. "It's Emporia State versus Northwest. It's not Brian Shay versus Chris Greisen. We won't have the chance to tackle each other because we'll both be on offense, so it's not really a matchup."

Junior cornerback Greg Wayne said it's a great opportunity for the fans to enjoy the moment.

"It's going to be pretty exciting to see the best back in college football," Wayne said.

This chance for Shay and Greisen to play against each other almost didn't happen.

Northwest almost lost Greisen after his freshman year. He was disappointed because he did not get the chance to play quarterback and his role was a backup.

"I didn't like having to sit out, because I would have rather been out there," Greisen said. "It was frustrating to go 0-11, so I was thinking about transferring. But coach Tjeerdsma and (Jim) Svoboda were great people and great coaches. I was looking at those guys and the rest of the team and I didn't want to bail out and quit on them. I didn't and we've been rolling ever since."

Greisen's stock has been rising

since last season's passing effort of 2,456 yards, 23 touchdowns and only 7 interceptions. This season he broke his own passing record with 2,658 yards. He has also passed for 21 touchdowns.

Even though Greisen has shattered the record books, he knows he does not deserve all the credit.

"It's great to get recognition and I've gotten nominated for the Harlon Hill and All-America honors, but it all starts with the offensive line, the receivers and the backs," Greisen said. "They are the ones making me look good. All I have to do is pass the ball. I'm sure Brian Shay would say the same thing at Emporia, because, after all, it is a team game."

Even though Greisen did not like his time spent on the bench, he said he learned early on that a back-up signal caller is important.

"I learned in high school that the most important guy on the team is the back-up quarterback," Greisen said. "You prepare every week just like the starter. You always know that you are just one play away from being in the game and being a starter. It's important to be ready."

Greisen got that chance as a freshman for the Bearcats in the regular season and as a sophomore in the NCAA Division II playoffs.

Against Missouri Western, Greisen had to go into the game for an injured Greg Teale. Greisen wasted no time making a name for

himself as he lofted a 20-yard scoring pass for his first career collegiate touchdown.

The next season in Greeley, Colo., Teale went down again with an extended injury and Greisen led the team with 114 yards passing in a relief role. Greisen led the 'Cats to a late field goal which seemed to lock up the game. But a late touchdown by Northern Colorado stole the game from the Bearcats.

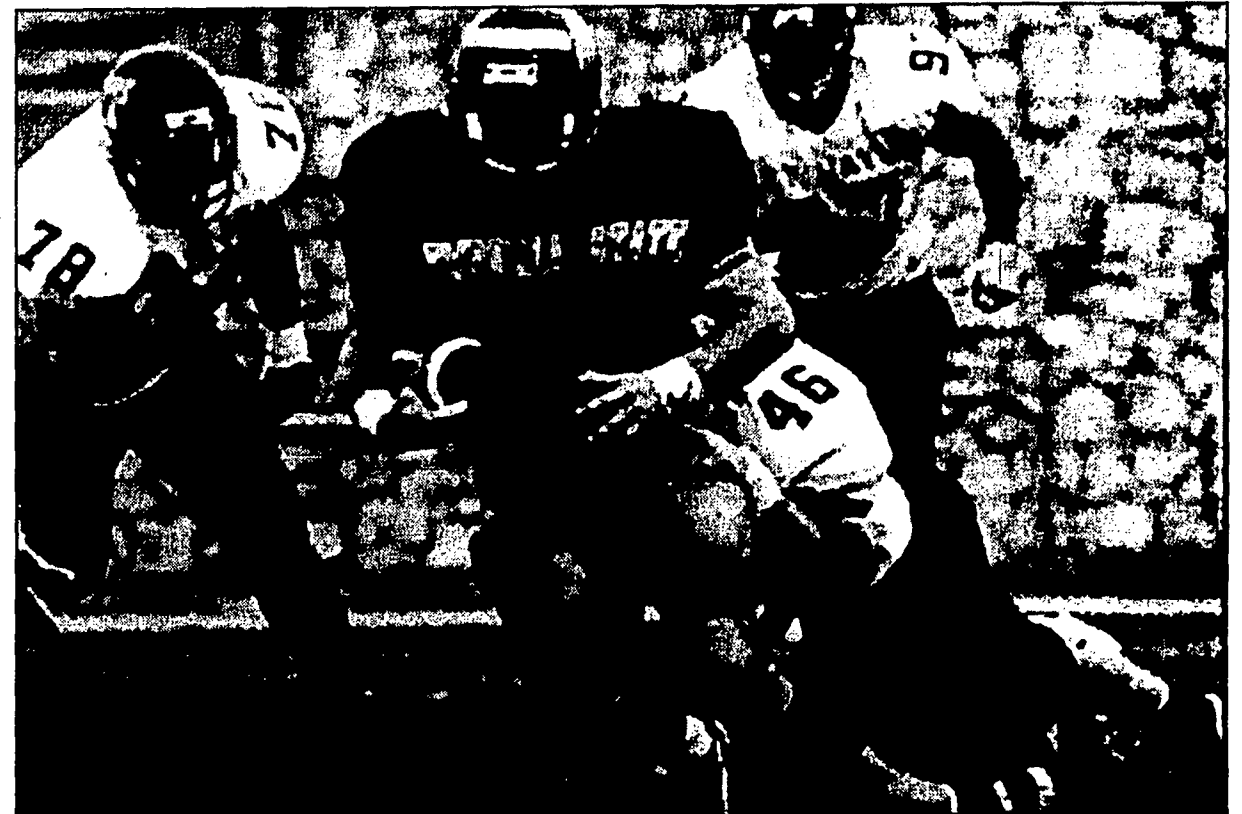
"I had a feeling before the game that I was going to play, so I was prepared mentally for that game," Greisen said. "I was wondering if I could play the game again after not playing for three years at the level I wanted to play at and lead the team."

Greisen took over the starting reigns in 1997. He has compiled a record of 22-1 as a starter, but he does not forget to shell out the compliments.

"It's not Chris Greisen leading the Bearcats, when coach brings in guys like Tony Miles, J.R. Hill, Steve Coppinger and all those guys," Greisen said. "The talent around you makes you a better player. We are such great friends that we all want to do better."

It can't get much better for Greisen and the 'Cats except for a national title.

With a victory over Emporia State, the 'Cats will be one step closer to captivating that goal.



Brian Shay, Emporia State senior running back, breaks free for another long run against Fort Hayes. Shay has rushed for more yards than any runner in the history of college football. He has put together 15 200-yard games and scored 86 touchdowns in his career. Shay averages 7.94 yards per carry. He is also the first player in college football to run for more than 1,900 yards in three consecutive seasons. Shay rushed for 2,103 yards in 1996 and 1,912 yards in 1997. Shay was the runner-up for the Harlon Hill trophy last year.

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Winning with character

Northwest's head football coach looks to earn his 100th victory

by Mark Hornickel
Sports Editor

Four seasons ago the Bearcat football team finished with a record of 0-11. Since then, the team's head coach has helped shape the team into a national powerhouse, and if Northwest can overcome Emporia State on Saturday, he will earn his 100th career victory.

Mel Tjeerdsma has been coaching for 32 years. His teams have earned conference and national titles. He has earned numerous coaching awards. But when the 'Cats take on the Hornets Saturday at Rickenbrode Stadium, it will be just another game, Tjeerdsma said.

"You get up the next day and it's just another day," Tjeerdsma said. "Those things are nice and it's nice to have that recognition, but life goes on. There's a lot more important things in my life than 100 wins or a conference championship. Some people may not believe that, the way we work at it, but there are. It will be special, but there's a lot of special things."

Tjeerdsma has paid very little attention to the mark, but his players know it is a major accomplishment.

"It says a lot for Coach Tjeerdsma," Matt Voge, junior defensive tackle said. "He put together a heck of a staff and he knows what it takes to win. It would be great to get that 100th win for him."

Growing up, Tjeerdsma enjoyed competing, and he became inspired to coach while in high school.

"I loved athletics when I was growing up," Tjeerdsma said. "When I was in high school, we had football, basketball and track, and I was in all three and had the same coach for all three. So that was my motivation."

Tjeerdsma began his coaching career at Denison High School in Iowa in 1966. As head coach of the football team, he guided his team to a 9-0 record in 1975 and a berth in the state playoffs. Tjeerdsma also earned Northwest Iowa Football Coach of the Year honors in 1972.

In 1976, Tjeerdsma became the offensive coordinator at Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa. He helped the Red Raiders to the NAIA Division II playoffs four times, including a national championship.

Tjeerdsma came to Northwest in 1994 with 10 years of head coaching experience at Austin College in Sherman, Texas. There, he compiled a record of 60-38-4 and was the school's winningest coach. Tjeerdsma guided his team to three Texas Intercollegiate Athletic Association Championships and two trips to the NAIA Division II playoffs.

During his time at Northwest, Tjeerdsma has compiled a record of 39-19-0. He helped the Bearcats to three consecutive MIAA conference championships and last year the 'Cats advanced to the quarterfinal round of the NCAA Division II playoffs for the second straight season.

Aside from the many accomplishments, the opportunity to watch players grow and build relationships is most important to Tjeerdsma.

"You go all the way back in high school and I can remember great players. Not just guys that were great players on the field, but great people," Tjeerdsma said. "I think the exciting thing about that is seeing what they've done with their lives afterwards. Guys that are doctors or lawyers, or guys that are coaches — guys that are making an impact on other people. That's fun to see."

The road for Tjeerdsma has not always been a smooth one. In Tjeerdsma's first season at Northwest, the Bearcats endured an 0-11 season.

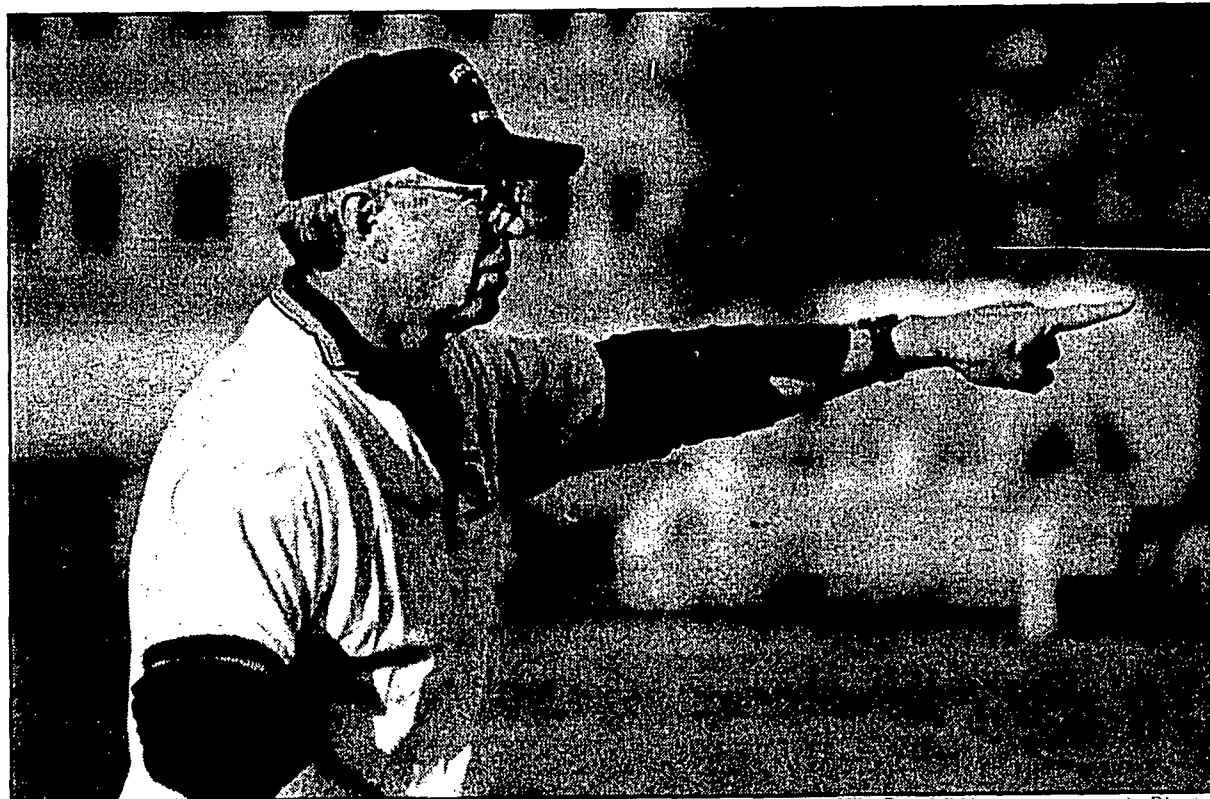
"It was difficult because myself and all of our assistants had come out of good programs," Tjeerdsma said. "We were used to being successful, so that part was difficult. But I think what kept me going was our young coaches — their work ethic. We knew we were going to get it turned around. I don't know if any of us thought it would turn around quite as fast as it did and quite as dramatic for what we've done in the last five years to the last three years. That's a pretty drastic turn around. There's a lot of things that helped that."

At the Division II level, very few athletes have the ability to go on to the professional level, but Tjeerdsma said the main goal for his players is to get an education and have a good experience playing football. Since Tjeerdsma began his tenure at Northwest, the football team's grade point average has risen from 2.0 to 2.8.

"Probably more important than wins and losses is what we feel we have accomplished in character," Tjeerdsma said. "That translates into wins and losses. They're good students. If I can feel like in some way we've had a positive affect on these people, then it's worth it."

When Tjeerdsma reaches his 100th win, he won't take all of the credit.

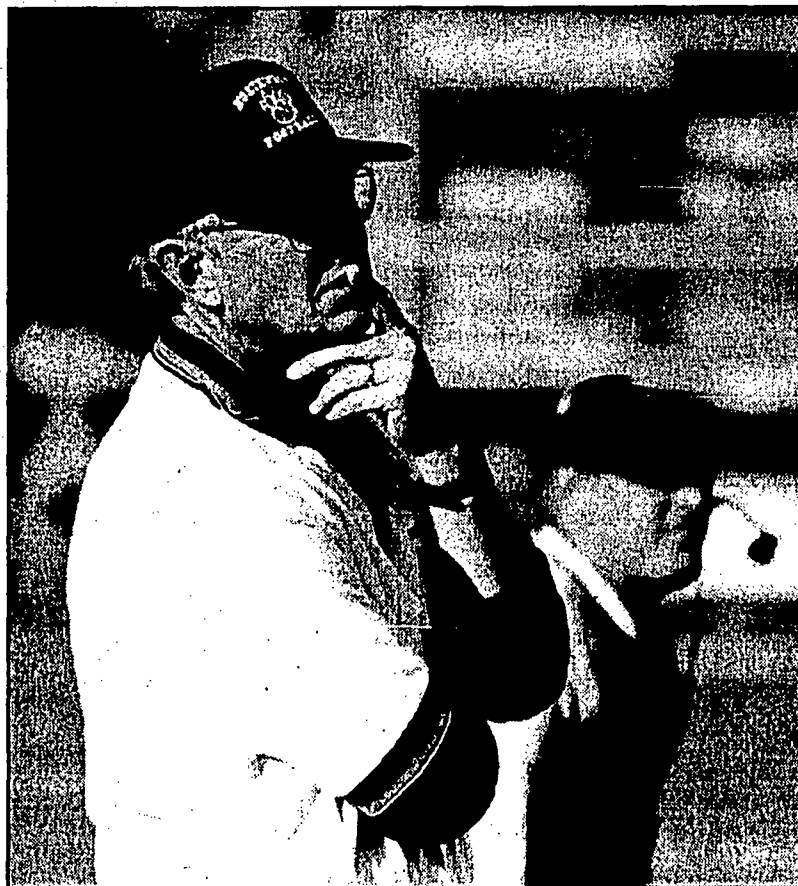
"I think as I look back, I've learned that coaching is a process, and you evolve as a coach and you learn," Tjeerdsma said. "I learn every day. I learn from our assistants. I learn from our players. I think that's the neat thing about coaching. I feel like it's a process every day. There's new challenges."



Mike Ransdell/Assistant Photography Director

Bearcat head coach Mel Tjeerdsma points to one of his players to make sure they are on the same page on a very important play toward the end of the Pittsburg State game. His decision to concede a safety in order to get better field position helped to preserve the Bearcats' lead. Tjeerdsma's leadership and quick decision guided the Bearcats to a nail-biting 23-18 victory against their MIAA-rival Gorillas.

Approaching his 100th victory and a conference championship head coach Mel Tjeerdsma only has one thing on his mind — the game at hand. "Those things are nice and it's nice to have the recognition, but life goes on. There's a lot more important things in my life than 100 wins or a conference championship."



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